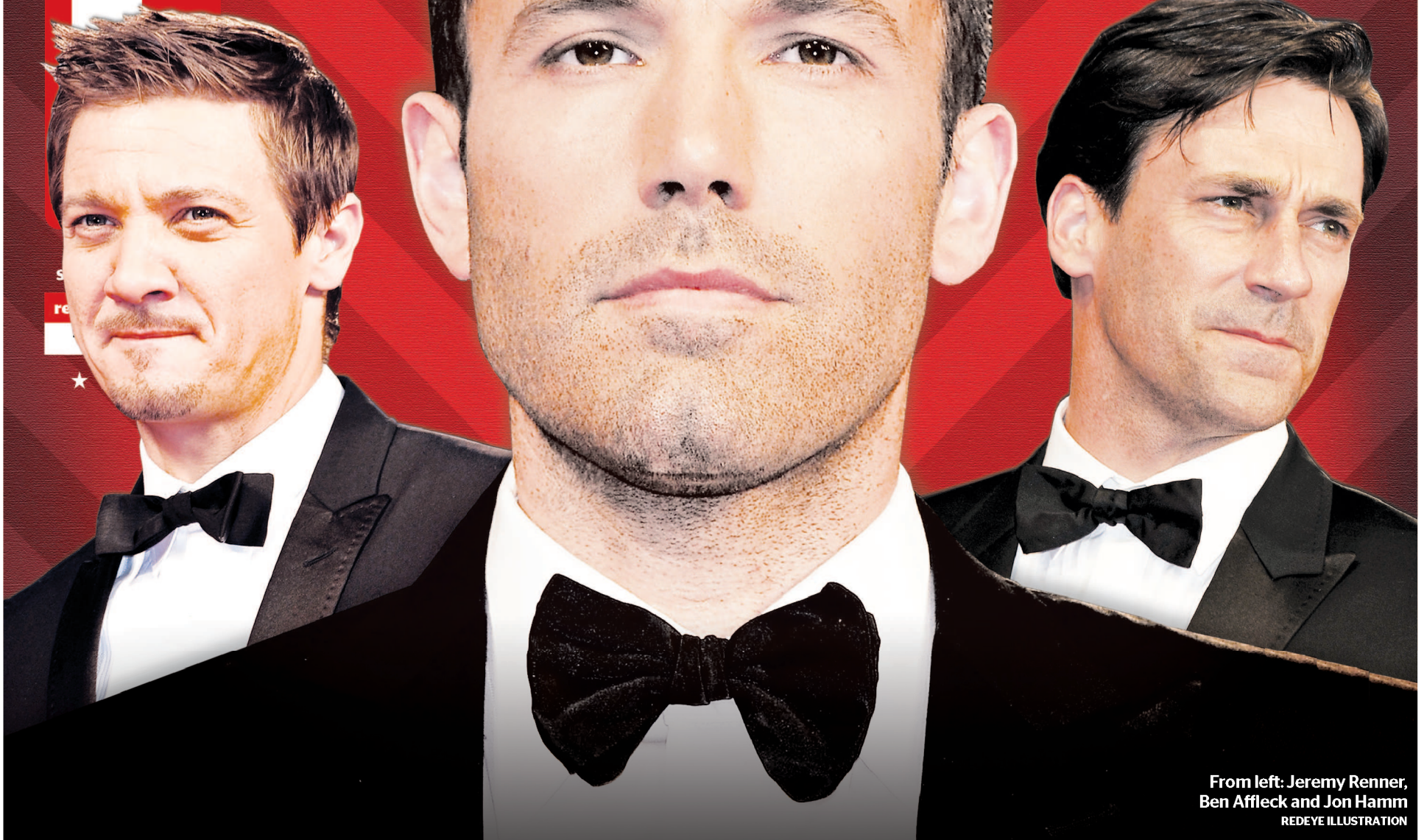


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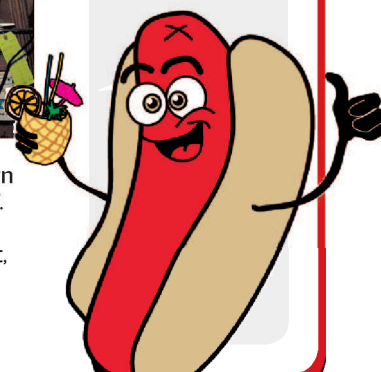
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NEW SURVEY PINPOINTS THE MANY SCENTS THAT WOMEN CRAVE

By Leonor Vivanco

REDEYE

What do women want ... to smell?

Vanilla is the No. 1 preferred scent among women in the U.S., in front of No. 2 favorite coffee, according to results of a survey released this week.

The survey was commissioned by Axe body products and conducted in June by Alan Hirsch, a doctor and founder of Chicago's Smell and Taste Treatment and Research Foundation. It centered on interviews with 200 women ages 18-35 in 10 big cities nationwide.

His theory is that over the years coffee has become more mainstream thanks to the explosion of coffee shops, and vanilla has become more popular in products such as perfumes and flavored drinks.

In Chicago specifically, women find the aromas of vanilla and lilac most appealing while women in other

cities favored different scents.

"Who would've thought lilac and vanilla were so popular here?" Hirsch said. "I would've thought it'd be more pizza."

"I think vanilla has a safe and secure feeling," he said. Hirsch noted that many nipples on baby bottles, for example, have for years used vanilla flavoring and its smell may be associated with a feeling of comfort later in life.

"Floral smells like lilac increase the speed of learning," Hirsch said, noting a study he did in 1999. Other than that, it's anybody's guess as to why people like to sniff that scent.

So, do women want guys to douse themselves in vanilla? Well, while vanilla isn't known to increase sexual arousal, women likely will want to smell it on guys, Hirsch said. "It will make them feel more relaxed and more secure," he said. "She will unconsciously feel more positive toward the man as a result."

Check out what women nationwide listed as the top two scents they favored.

Smell ya later

Another survey focused on scent and attraction between men and women was commissioned by Axe and conducted online in July by market research company StrategyOne. Check out these results among 1,000 women ages 18-34 nationwide.

56 PERCENT

Won't date a guy who smells like their dad

25 PERCENT

Will wait anywhere from two weeks to a month before washing their sheets in order to keep their guy's scent under the covers

66 PERCENT

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50 PERCENT

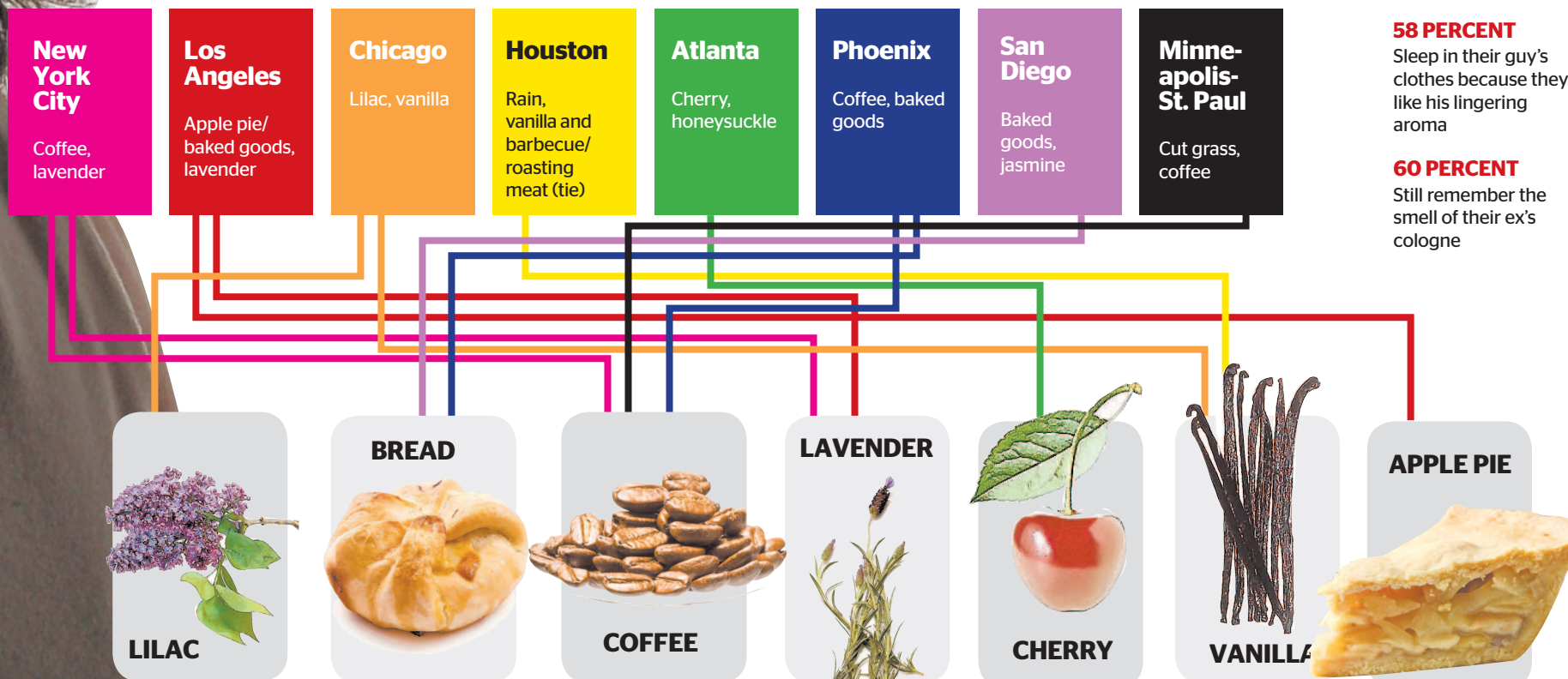
Say they have taken an article of clothing from a guy to smell when he's gone

58 PERCENT

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60 PERCENT

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YOUR TURN TO TALK

What do you think about JoJo and K-Ci appearing on reality TV? Comment on this column, plus see footage of the famous fall and my favorite Jodeci videos at redyechicago.com/kylesfiles. You also can e-mail feedback to kkyles@tribune.com.

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Say it ain't so-so, K-Ci and JoJo

It's rare that a press release stops me cold.

Most go straight to the land o' delete, along with invitations to transfer money to Nigerian citizens.

That is, until this week.

I stopped in mid-DELETE when I saw these four words: JoJo, K-Ci, reality, show.

JoJo and K-Ci, who rose to fame with the popular '90s R&B group Jodeci, will appear in a reality series on TV One, debuting Oct. 19.

At first, I was delighted they'd be back in the spotlight. The singing sibs' rich, gospel-tinged voices would be a boon to an industry flooded with Auto-Tune averageness. Plus, remorseful boyfriends (and girlfriends) everywhere still owe them a debt of gratitude for the best groveling song in recent history.

In "Cry for You," the duo sang: "Baby, I'm begging, baby I'm begging, baby," and beautifully, at that.

Who could stay mad with that blaring in the background?

But my euphoria evaporated when I read the title of the series: "K-Ci and JoJo Come Clean." The show "offers viewers an unvarnished glimpse into the journey of the R&B superstars as they fight their shared demon, alcoholism, in an attempt to save their lives and careers."

Unvarnished, you say?

I pray there is nothing more unvarnished than my last JoJo and K-Ci sighting. Gossip blogs had a field day with video footage of a concert performance during which JoJo collapsed onstage for some unexplained reason. Meanwhile, his brother sang on as if it was just another day at the office.

JoJo and K-Ci aren't the first musicians to use a reality show to reconnect with their old fans and win new ones. Brandy, Ray J, Bret Michaels, Vanilla Ice, Bobby Brown and Whitney Houston all have allowed cameras into their lives, but with mixed results. The most effective reality show concepts are either one-offs from their careers (Michaels' "Rock of Love") or at least not morbidly focused on personal failure, as is the case with sibs Brandy and Ray J Norwood. Most notably, the now-divorced Brown and Houston suffered mightily, personally and professionally, because of their willingness to display their warts for a worldwide audience.

My fear is that JoJo and K-Ci will fall into the latter category. I know they're seeking survival in an industry more focused on image than ability. And yes, some reality show stars are more A-list than working entertainers. But surely a Facebook page, Twitter account and a good manager could achieve better exposure at less personal risk.

I hope JoJo and K-Ci will opt to spare fans their behind-the-music drama and refocus on their music. Heck, I'm even willing to grovel if it'll change their minds. This goes out to JoJo and K-Ci: Baby, I'm begging, baby, I'm begging, begging, baby.



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Daley defends top cop

Chicago Tribune

Mayor Daley said Thursday he's proud of the Chicago Police Department since embattled Supt. Jody Weis took over running it.

The day after hundreds of police officers picketed in front of police headquarters, calling for Weis' removal from office, Daley came to his defense.

"When Superintendent Weis took this over, I mean, headlines of brutality, misconduct, corruption. You were writing continually," Daley said at a news conference to announce federal funding to rehabilitate a building in Washington Park. "He came in under very difficult circumstances to rebuild the image of the police department.

"I'm very proud of the police department under Superintendent Weis. I really am. They've done a tremendous job, and the citizens have as well," Daley said. "To me, like anything else, when you're the boss sometimes people don't like you."

Daley wondered what police officers are talking about when they say Weis can't handle the job of superintendent, because he had a career in the FBI outside Chicago rather than as a local cop.

"Everybody wants one of their own. I don't know what 'their own' is today," he said. "People who moved into the city are not one of our own, I guess. You know what I mean? This idea you have to be born and raised here to be one of your own."

Daley stopped short of calling on his successor to keep Weis after Daley steps down in May. "That would be up to the next mayor," he said.

IN OTHER DALEY NEWS ...

» The mayor will head to China and South Korea on Friday to convince investors to put money into infrastructure improvements in Chicago during a week-long trip.

» The mayor supported the idea of reorganizing the Chicago Police Department's community policing program as a largely civilian initiative, saying Thursday that it would allow more than 200 police officers to focus on fighting crime.



NANCY STONE/TRIBUNE

Coyote spotting

Officials with the Chicago animal Care and Control office believe that a coyote found along the Chicago River on Thursday morning was a collared coyote and did not pose a threat to the public, officials said. Animal control officials investigated the area where the animal was found and said that they believed the animal was part of a study of urban wildlife by state conservation officials, said Chicago Police News Affairs Officer Robert Perez. A similar sighting was made late last month near Division Street, just east of the river. That coyote, which was wearing a collar, was believed to be part of a study of urban wildlife and is not considered a danger to the public. **TRIBUNE**

Forecast: Dry fall, snowy winter

Chicago Tribune

After a warm, wet summer that ended with a dry August, Illinois can expect a warm and dry fall—but a snowy winter may be in store, weather service forecasts and the state climatologist say.

National Weather Service long-term forecasts show the whole state having an increased chance of warmer-than-normal temperatures for October, with less precipitation than normal.

A periodic cooling over the equatorial Atlantic Ocean known as La Niña historically has led to warmer, drier falls in the

state, said state climatologist Jim Angel.

"Basically, what's driving it is we have a fairly strong La Niña effect, which means we typically get warm, dry falls in Illinois," Angel said. "So I think that's the driving force."

The area is expected to have an average or warmer November and December, with a likely chance that precipitation levels will be normal in November and December, according to the National Weather Service's official long-term forecast.

This year should be a reversal from 2009, when fall was wet and cold, with the average rainfall throughout the state of

8.4 inches in October, the second-wettest October on record and 5.5 inches above normal, according to Angel's blog.

October 2009 also averaged 4.6 degrees below normal and was the sixth-coldest on record in the state, according to Angel.

"Last year, it was just extraordinarily cold and wet, and that was no fun for anyone, especially for farmers," who have trouble with harvest when the weather is wet, Angel noted.

As fall gives way to winter, the La Niña effect usually weakens—but it may increase snowfall this winter, Angel said.

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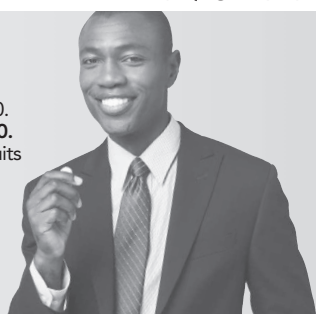


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Magnificent Mile lands city's first Chick-fil-A store

Chicago Tribune

Chick-fil-A is coming to downtown Chicago in 2011.

Although the lease has yet to be signed, John E. Featherston Jr., Chick-fil-A's senior director of real estate, said that a Chick-fil-A restaurant will open near Water Tower Place next spring.

"I've been to a lot of intersections downtown, and this is the first one where I want to plant the flag," Featherston said. "Hopefully this will lead to others."

The news was first reported by Crain's Chicago Business.

Chick-fil-A opened its first Chicago-area location Thursday in Aurora. The third location is planned for Lincoln Park and slated to open next fall.

The Tribune reported earlier this year that Chick-fil-A planned to open a store in Chicago in 2011.

The Chicago market is unique because half the residents live in the urban core of the city. Until now, this has run up against Chick-fil-A's suburban sprawl strategy of free-standing restaurants near retail developments.

Featherston said in April that the company's move into Chicago is a strategic adaptation to urban centers and a blending of current pedestrian-friendly urban locations and the more suburban designs that accommodate cars with parking lots and drive-through windows.

Featherston said a typical restaurant has 75 to 100 part- and full-time workers. He said hiring probably will begin four to six weeks in advance of a store opening.

Wanted: Man who borrowed CTA bus

Chicago Tribune

The Chicago Police and the CTA are looking for a man suspected of impersonating a CTA employee and taking one of the agency's buses from a South Side garage.

The suspect was wearing what appeared to be a CTA uniform when he drove a bus out of the 103rd Street garage Sept. 9, according to a CTA statement.

When the bus was brought back later that night, an employee observed as the bus came in contact with another bus. The suspect fled the garage when the employee went to alert the supervisor, officials said.

Video from the bus' security cameras shows that the suspect was familiar enough with CTA procedures to be able to log in and start the bus. Video also showed the person returning the bus and then leaving on foot, officials said.

The suspect is believed to be an acquaintance of a CTA bus operator and suspected of a theft last month of a uniform shirt from that employee.

CTA President Rich Rodriguez said the agency and Chicago police are working together to identify and apprehend the suspect.



Students return to Nichols Middle School in Evanston on Thursday, two days after a man's headless body was found in an adjacent park. The man, 21-year-old Colin Dalebroux, blew himself up with a pipe bomb, police said. **JOSÉ M. OSORIO/TRIBUNE**

School reopens after scare

Chicago Tribune

Students returned to classes Thursday at Evanston's Nichols Middle School, two days after a decapitated body and pipe bomb were found in adjacent Fitzsimons Park.

"In a way, I'm nervous," said Sheila Ludwig, who walked her 13-year-old son to school. "There are a lot of unanswered questions."

Some parents said they were not apprehensive about bringing their children back to school after it was closed for two days while police investigated the scene where 21-year-old Colin Dalebroux blew himself up.

"I'm not nervous about her going back to school," said Carla Willis, mother of a sixth-grader at Nichols. "I think it's clear he was acting alone and there's no ongoing threat. He never intended to hurt others."

Willis received a phone call from her daughter about

8:15 a.m. Tuesday saying school had been canceled at Nichols, 800 Greenleaf St. A teacher then asked for the phone to make sure Willis wanted her daughter to go home.

"I think because I heard her voice first and knew she was coming home, I wasn't as worried," Willis said.

Some parents met with school officials after classes started to discuss the events that led to the closing.

"I think the meeting went very well," Willis said. "It was very civil and productive."

Willis said the parents who attended the meeting Thursday voiced their concerns but kept the discussion civil.

"The parents were very vocal about their concerns but also very respectful and very grateful that in many ways, it was handled right," she said. "The big picture is, the kids were kept safe and the decision to reopen school wasn't made until they were sure nothing sinister or threatening was going on."

Feds bust drug ring in Chicago, Berwyn

Federal prosecutors on Thursday announced charges against 22 members of an alleged gang-run narcotics ring based in Little Village. A 15-month investigation into the Gangster 2-6 Nation street gang ended Wednesday with the arrest of 19 alleged gang members in Berwyn and Chicago, as well as two alleged gang associates.

Police: Man touched boy near Wrigley Field



A convicted sex offender was charged Thursday with inappropriately touching an 8-year-old boy near Wrigley Field, police said. Cortez Lewis, 29, of the 11300 block of South Wentworth Avenue, was charged with unlawful restraint, failure to register as a sex offender within 10 days, battery and making physical contact, and disorderly conduct, police said.

Possible mayor candidates agree to keep it clean

White House chief of staff Rahm Emanuel, considered a possible candidate for mayor of Chicago, met privately with Rep. Jesse Jackson Jr., a potential rival, and agreed that everyone in the race should run civil campaigns, Jackson said in an interview Thursday. Emanuel, known as a fierce political competitor, did not reveal whether he will jump into the race. **TRIBUNE**

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Poverty rate soars in the U.S.

CNN

NEW YORK The nation's poverty rate jumped to 14.3 percent in 2009, its highest level since 1994, and the 43.6 million Americans in need is the highest number in 51 years of record-keeping, the government said Thursday.

The Office of Management and Budget defined the poverty threshold level as less than \$21,954 for a family of four in 2009 and \$10,956 for an individual. The poverty rate increased for all racial groups except Asians.

The jump, reported as part of a regular annual Census Bureau report on income, poverty and health insurance, was not unexpected. The U.S. economy went through a very rough 2009.

"The Census Bureau released data that illustrates just how tough 2009 was," President Obama said in a statement.

"Even before the recession hit, middle class incomes had been stagnant and the number of people living in poverty in America was unacceptably high, and today's numbers make it clear that our work is just beginning."

Many Americans lost their jobs during 2009. The unemployment rate jumped from 7.7 percent at the beginning of the year to 10.1 percent by October, before inching down to 10 percent the rest of the year.

Poverty increased less than many experts were projecting. David Johnson, chief of the bureau's Housing and Household Economic Statistics Division, said the rate would have been higher except that it declined substantially for elderly Americans, falling to 8.9 percent from 9.7 percent.

He also said increases in employment benefits brought many people out of poverty.

The income used to calculate poverty status includes earnings, workman's compensation, unemployment insurance, Social Security, veteran's payments, pensions and just about every other source of cash.



Pope Benedict XVI presides Thursday over Mass in Glasgow, Scotland, during the first day of his visit to Britain. GETTY IMAGES

Pope: Sex scandal a 'shock' to church

CNN

GLASGOW, Scotland The Roman Catholic Church has not been vigilant enough nor fast enough in responding to the problem of sexual abuse by priests, Pope Benedict XVI said Thursday.

"These revelations were for me a shock and a great sadness. It is difficult to understand how this perversion of the priestly ministry was possible," he told reporters aboard his plane to Scotland. "How a man who has done this and said this can fall into this perversion is difficult to understand."

He added, "It is also a great sadness that the authorities of the church were not sufficiently vigilant and insufficiently quick and decisive in taking the necessary measures."

British people feel overwhelmingly that the pope has not done enough to punish priests who abuse children, according to a ComRes poll for CNN released as Bene-

MEETING THE QUEEN

Queen Elizabeth II shook hands with the pope at her Scottish residence near Edinburgh, the Palace of Holyroodhouse, before they sat down for a private meeting. A military marching band played the national anthem "God Save the Queen," for which the pope removed his white cap.

dict arrived in the country. Three out of four British people say he should do more to punish abusive clergy.

Critics of the church were quick to pounce on the pope's remarks.

"It's disingenuous to say church officials have been slow and insufficiently vigilant in dealing with clergy sex crimes and coverups. On the contrary, they've been prompt and vigilant, but in concealing, not preventing, these horrors," said Joelle Casteix of SNAP, the Survivors Network

of those Abused by Priests.

The pope made the comments as he arrived for a historic four-day state visit to Britain, where the issue of abuse, and the Vatican's perceived lack of response to it, has created anger.

But there was a warm welcome for him on a cold afternoon in Glasgow, Scotland, for the first major Mass of his visit.

Tens of thousands turned out to hear him preach, with members of the faithful describing it as a "happy day."

Benedict elaborated in Glasgow on what's expected to be a major theme of his visit, the value of religion in a society that he sees as increasingly secular.

"There are some who now seek to exclude religious belief from public discourse, to privatize it or even to paint it as a threat to equality and liberty," he said in his homily. "Yet religion is in fact a guarantee of authentic liberty and respect."

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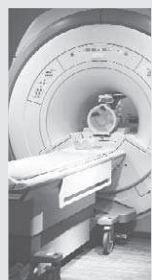


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Deadly shooting at hospital

1 A man distraught about his mother's health shot and wounded a doctor at Baltimore's prestigious Johns Hopkins Hospital on Thursday before killing his mother and taking his own life, police said.

Woman recants acid story

2 A Vancouver, Wash., woman admitted Wednesday that she lied to police when she said an unknown assailant threw acid in her face, authorities said Thursday. She said her injuries were self-inflicted.

Tsunami false alarm

3 The Thai government apologized this week to a region where thousands died in the 2004 Indian Ocean tsunami after a botched warning drill Monday caused hundreds to flee their homes, convinced another wave was coming.

Hurricane approaches land

4 Hurricane Karl could approach major hurricane strength before its center reaches the Mexican coast late Friday, the National Hurricane Center says. Meanwhile, east of the Gulf of Mexico, two more storms are spinning in the Atlantic Ocean.

Hiring soon: airlines

Boeing says the airline industry will need to hire more than 1 million workers during the next 20 years to prepare for a wave of 30,000 new aircraft. The airlines will need to hire 466,650 pilots and 596,500 maintenance crew workers between 2010 and 2029, the aircraft maker said Thursday.

Fox News sues candidate

Fox News has sued the Senate campaign of Democrat Robin Carnahan in Missouri, claiming improper use of an interview by the cable channel with her opponent, Roy Blunt, for a "smear ad."

THE DIGIT

4,676

That's how many birds have been collected in the Gulf of Mexico since the April 20 blowout of a BP oil well, according to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife service. Of those, 3,634 were dead.

Study: Placebo helps sex drive in women

"Faking it" has long been associated with bad sex for some women, but a new study provides a pleasant twist on that phrase. According to a paper released Thursday in the Journal of Sexual Medicine, the placebo effect may increase sex drive for women suffering from sexual dysfunction.

"It may be that their behavior changed as part of getting treatment, even if the treatment itself was an inert tablet," said Andrea Bradford, lead study author.

The study set out to determine whether a popular male erectile dysfunction drug, Cialis, also could treat female sexual dysfunction.

By the end of the study, researchers discovered that while Cialis did not markedly improve sexual dysfunction in women, one out of three women had their previ-

WHAT IT MEANS

The study raises more questions than it answers, but the idea of a sham medical intervention addressing female sexual dysfunction speaks to the complexities of female sexuality. One implied message in the study: A psychological investment in improving their sex life could obviate the need for a drug for some women.

ously low level of desire restored to one considered to be normal with placebo.

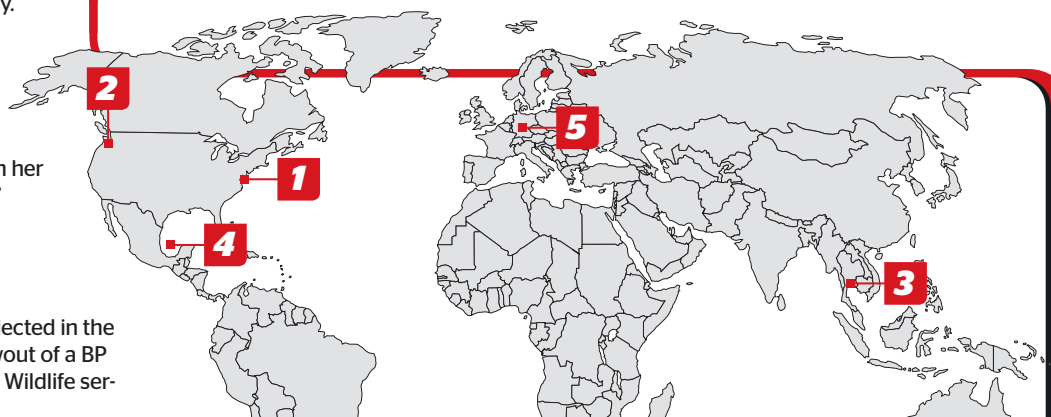
"It's not that these women simply believed, 'a sugar pill will help me,'" said Bradford, a post-doctoral fellow at Baylor College of Medicine and the Michael E. DeBakey VA Medical Center. "Other elements were probably therapeutic, regardless of the tablet."



In love with beer

5 A vendor prepares a booth selling gingerbread hearts Thursday at the Oktoberfest beer festival in Munich. The 200th edition of the world's biggest beer festival opens Saturday and runs until Oct. 4.

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Briggs says no to women in locker room



Chicago Tribune

Bears linebacker Lance Briggs maintained his stance against women in the

locker room as the fallout continued over Mexican TV reporter Ines Sainz's headline-grabbing experience with the N.Y. Jets.

When first asked about the subject Wednesday, Briggs told WMAQ-Ch. 5's Peggy Kusinski the NFL shouldn't allow women in the locker room.

"I don't regret what I said," Briggs said during his Thursday news conference. "The men's locker room is for men, just like the women's locker room is for women. And I meant no disrespect to Peggy or any other women who are in our locker room because we've never had any problems in our locker room."

"But the fact that there is an issue over a woman that's in the locker room, that's in the men's locker room, is ridiculous. I don't think there should ever be a problem in the men's locker room. That's our realm."

The NFL sent a memo this week reminding all 32 teams of its equal access and conduct policy toward the media after Sainz said the Jets made her uncomfortable in their locker room last weekend.



Ware
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BAD SIGN

In case you don't remember—perhaps you've blocked it out of your mind—the Bears didn't have a lot of luck moving the ball on Detroit when they really needed to. There were goal-line failures, third-down failures and red-zone failures. Dallas is not Detroit. The Cowboys are much better defensively. In fact, Dallas linebacker DeMarcus Ware just might be the best defensive player in the NFL (sorry, Julius). If the Bears had trouble with Detroit, imagine the problems Dallas poses.

FOUR SCORE

Every week before the Bears game, RedEye's crew gets to the point.



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Dallas 27, Bears 10

After last week, you've got to be crazy not to love Big D. That's what she said.



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All that matters this season is the Bears don't do well enough for Lovie Smith to keep his job, so folks, we're in must-lose territory here.



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BEAR TRAP?

WEEK 2 AT DALLAS HAS 'LOW POINT' WRITTEN ALL OVER IT

RedEye

We hate to be the bearer of bad Bears news, but some things must be done.

Sunday probably is not going to be a day Bears fans want to remember for very long. A trip to Dallas after the Cowboys were embarrassed by division rival Washington in the season opener is a recipe for disaster.

First, before we go on, we'd be remiss if we didn't point out the things Bears fans should be happy about. Running back Matt

Forte looks to be back in rookie form. Brian Urlacher again looks like the dominant linebacker he used to be. Julius Peppers brings a ferociousness to the defense that strikes fear in opposing quarterbacks. The Mike Martz offense looked fairly productive if not for a few ill-timed turnovers.

It's going to take all that and more, though, in Dallas for the Bears to emerge 2-0. Aside from the aforementioned anger that's been building in the Big D for the past week, there are a host of other worrisome facets of this matchup. Read 'em and weep.



Cavallari
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BAD SIGN

If Kristin Cavallari—Jay Cutler's reported girlfriend, flavor-of-the-month, better half, whatever he wants to call her—attends the game, watch out. The last time a blonde tabloid star watched a quarterback in Dallas, it didn't turn out so well. Cowboys fans blamed Tony Romo's then-girlfriend, Jessica Simpson, for the team's troubles.



Stafford
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BAD SIGN

Detroit quarterback Matthew Stafford might not be Joe Montana just yet, but knocking him out of Sunday's game might have been the best thing to happen to the Bears in their season opener. (Next to, of course, a seldom-called non-catch on an obvious catch in the end zone.) With Stafford on the sidelines, the Lions offense stalled under the guidance of Shaun Hill. The Cowboys, on the other hand, have one of the best in the game in Romo at quarterback. The Bears' secondary best be ready.



Thome
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BAD SIGN

Call it the Jim Thome effect. Like Thome, who used to play for the White Sox but now makes it a habit to slay the White Sox, former Bear and current Cowboys left guard Marc Colombo could be a pain for Chicago. He is considered the Cowboy's leader on the offensive line, and he has been looking forward to facing his former team. "Them coming here, it's a really big game for me," he told dallascowboys.com. "It's where I began my NFL career. I'm excited about that."

Sox stop believing

On behalf of the entire city of Chicago, I'd like to thank the White Sox for finally ending this charade.

What a bunch of wimps. You can't beat Minnesota. Ozzie says this, Kenny says that, somebody tweets this, somebody tweets that. Oh, look, Ozzie and Kenny have their own TV show called "The Club."

Request for a name change: "The Club That Can't Beat the Twins."

Seriously, go away. Come back when you grow a pair and can beat a bunch of hicks from the North Country.

A special shoutout to Manny Ramirez. Thank you for all of the base hits you've gotten since coming here. Not one extra-base hit. Not. One. So, for \$4 million, that comes out to like \$200,000 per base hit. Sir, your face is going up in post offices everywhere because I sense a federal crime here.

It's fun watching Jim Thome, though. I told you last year that this would haunt you. Haunt your dreams, man. And 2005? Well, that's becoming a lifetime ago.

Before we get to the Monsters, a quick nod to the Bulls. I hear they are thinking of trading Joakim Noah to Denver for Carmelo Anthony. Wow. Let's do it. A "potential" All-Star—my, we have so many of those around here—for an actual All-Star. Yes, make the move. And if you do, I'm buying some Michael Jordan cologne on eBay to celebrate: \$8.51 for the 3.4-ouncer!

While smelling nice, we need to welcome back Brian Urlacher. The good news: This Bear is back and playing like Charles Jefferson in "Fast Times at Ridgemont High." This guy owns the field, and the Bears defense will keep us in a ton of games.

But you know the bad news. An offensive line that's learning on the job and, of course, my favorite: "receivers that are young and growing." Yeah, they've been young and growing for three years. It's time to dump Devin Hester as a receiver. Mark my words: He's a coach—and now—a quarterback killer. Special teams only, please.

We didn't deserve the win against Detroit, and we won't win against Dallas.

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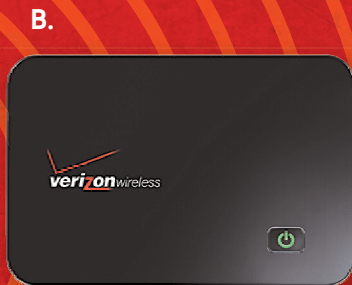


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1 What NFL rule controversy might the Bears be involved in Sunday in Dallas?	Judging by what they put out on the field: "unsportsmanlike product."	Players have to wait 30 minutes before dating Kim Kardashian. Like swimming—in a cesspool.	Jerry Jones will be guilty of unnecessary smugness.	Since the NFL has no slaughter rule, I'm out on this one.	No controversy in this game. Cutler will lend out his hot girlfriend as a bargaining chip.
2 Imagine the meeting between Tony Romo's reported girlfriend, an ex-Miss Missouri, and Jay Cutler's Kristin Cavallari?	Miss Missouri: Shall we invent cold fusion over drinks? Kristin: Let's. Peach Bellinis this time?	Miss Missouri: "Where's Missouri?"	"My boyfriend totally makes me play center, too!"	Somehow I think the pictures would be better than the actual conversation.	After a catfight on the sidelines and on Twitter, they get a reality show on ESPN hosted by Erin Andrews.
3 How happy are the White Sox to see Detroit in town?	We just had a Detroit team in town and you see how that almost turned out.	Almost happier than a Perkins waitress when Tiger's in town.	Well, it worked for the Bears.	After the Twins series, reserves and call-ups seeing more playing time are very happy.	About as happy as they are when Bobby Jenks takes the mound to "Boom" by P.O.D.
4 What fall TV series could be about Chicago sports?	"Lie to Me."	"Quit," my dad says.	"No Ordinary Family." Derrick Rose and the Bulls are just discovering their superpowers.	"Without a Trace." Pretty self-explanatory, eh?	"Glee" will perform the "Super Bowl Shuffle" in honor of its 25th anniversary.
5 Jimmy Johnson on "Survivor" is like being trapped in a confined location with the devil? I thought that was the new M. Night Shyamalan movie.	... Jimmy Johnson on ExtenZe. No one wants to see what's in the Hatch.	... Phil Jackson on "Jersey Shore."	... Lovie Smith as Bears head coach. He'll eventually get voted off the island.	... Chad Ochocinco trying to find love on VH1.

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King of the ring

WWE champ **Sheamus** puts his title on the line in Chicago

By Elliott Serrano

FOR REDEYE

The Fighting Irish is in Chicago this weekend. No, not Notre Dame. Reigning WWE champ Stephen Farrelly, aka Sheamus.

When the WWE returns to the Allstate Arena on Sunday for the "Night of Champions," every major title will be on the line, including Sheamus' championship belt in a Six-Pack Challenge.

RedEye spoke with the 32-year-old from Dublin about his return to Chicago and his meteoric rise to the top of the WWE.

Looking forward to "Night of Champions"?

I'm pretty excited, actually, to come to Chicago for a pay-per-view because Chicago itself is great for wrestling and has a fervor for the WWE. The fans are electric, really loud and very passionate. It's one of the best atmospheres to work in the U.S. right now.

You became the WWE champion in a relatively short amount of time. How does that feel knowing that you're so successful so quickly?

Oh, I feel great about it. It's crazy. I mean the last year has felt like five years, you know? And not in a bad way—a good way—because I always knew when I got an opportunity I'd step up. ... I've always been confident in myself. I mean I left my family; I left my country, my whole way of life at home to come here to chase a dream in the WWE. It's something that I've thought of since I was a wee child.

You've been involved in a feud with John Cena, but who else would you like to lock horns with?

Honestly, I'm so confident in myself I believe I could easily

take The Undertaker's undefeated streak away from him at Wrestlemania. That's if he has the nerve to go with me down there. Maybe he feels like he knows I could take him.

You've made reference to yourself growing up a "pasty, pale kid." Any thought to joining Conan O'Brien's Pale Force?

[Laughs] I've seen pictures in the audience with Conan O'Brien's head pasted onto my body in signs all over arenas all over the country. The thing is I grew from a pasty white kid to a pasty white man, so Conan O'Brien's got nothing on me. I guarantee you he uses a spray tan or something. [laughs] He's probably tanning the face and the hands but the rest that's covered by his shirt and tie is probably as pale as me.

The Mystery General Manager on "Raw," it's Betty White, isn't it?

I'll tell you a funny story about Betty White. I grew up in Dublin with my grandmother and my grand aunt, you know because my parents were both working. And I swear to God, I had a very bad childhood that was basically brought on from having been forced to watch episodes of "Matlock" and "The Golden Girls," which is probably one of the reasons I'm so angry in the ring. [Laughs] **ELLIOTT SERRANO IS A REDEYE SPECIAL CONTRIBUTOR.**



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MINNESOTA 8, WHITE SOX 5

The Twins virtually snuffed out any remaining playoff hopes for the Sox, finishing a three-game sweep Thursday with an 8-5 victory. The Sox are nine games back in the AL Central.

» Joel Quenneville will hit the ice for the opening of the Blackhawks' training camp with a new, three-year contract in hand. Coach Q signed an extension Thursday to his deal, which was set to expire at the end of the 2010-11 season.

» "I'm going to bring unexpected stuff. What I want is an experience. So what our fans want and how we build that fan base is really what's important."—NEW FIRE PRESIDENT JULIAN POSADA ON THURSDAY DURING AN INTRODUCTORY CONFERENCE CALL





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Affleck proves he's a powerhouse director with heist-thriller 'Town'

Minneapolis Star Tribune

At 38, Ben Affleck might be a little young for a career reinvention, but that's exactly what's happening to the Hollywood star.

Since winning an Oscar in 1998 for co-writing "Good Will Hunting," the actor's career has been all over the map, from box-office disasters ("Gigli") to tabloid fodder ("Bennifer").

Affleck showed another side in 2007 when he directed the critically acclaimed "Gone Baby Gone." He cements his status as a serious filmmaker with his latest directorial effort, "The Town," opening Friday.

The modestly budgeted heist-thriller is based in Charlestown, a 1-square-mile section of his hometown, Boston, that is notorious for producing an exorbitant amount of bank robbers. Affleck directs himself, plus a heavy-weight cast that includes Jeremy Renner ("The Hurt Locker"), Jon Hamm ("Mad Men"), Chris Cooper ("Adaptation") and Pete Postlethwaite.

Affleck recently spoke about his intense research for "The Town," directing his peers and why he doesn't regret "Gigli."

You grew up in Cambridge, which is near Charlestown, right?

It's close by, in fact it was next to Charlestown. But worlds apart in other ways. My life wasn't anything like the lives of the guys in the movie. Charlestown was incredibly tough and kind of scary. They had this code of silence where—I think over 15 years—only 25 percent of the murders were solved.

Was Charlestown the type of neighborhood where you would have gotten beat up?

Yeah, probably. Everyone where I grew up knew that the Townie kids were really tough. I knew a lot of kids from Charlestown because they played hockey. They were tough by tough-neighborhood standards.

In creating an authentic Charlestown, was there one thing you were deathly afraid of getting wrong?

I was deathly afraid of getting it all wrong. Every single thing scared me. I was worried that people would just say, "This seems bogus." So that was my central preoccupation. I did all this research, met all these people,



Affleck (left) directs "Mad Men" star Jon Hamm on the Boston set of "The Town."

went to prisons, the FBI, the neighborhoods, bars, restaurants, AA meetings. That's a real AA meeting in the movie.

What's the worst part about directing fellow actors?

They don't automatically know where you're coming from. It's a different thing when you're peers with everybody, and one of the peers decides, "Let me be the coach." There's this period of adjustment where everybody has to recalibrate their relationships. You're much more inclined to confer authority and trust on a guy with a gray beard who's done 20 movies than a guy like me who's in his mid-30s.

Are you a demanding director like, say, James Cameron or [Werner] Herzog?

I love Herzog. He's a genius. I don't know. I'm demanding in the sense that I want the movie to be good, and I'll do whatever it takes to give it its best shot to be good. So we work a lot. We shoot a lot of film. I don't scream and yell and ask unrealistic things of people.

How did you get Blake Lively of "Gossip Girl" and Jon Hamm of "Mad Men"—two actors



Jeremy Renner (from left), Slaine, Owen Burke and Ben Affleck hold a 'Town' hall meeting. WARNER BROS. PICTURES PHOTOS

known for playing incredibly beautiful people—to shed their well-manicured images? They were totally into it. They wanted to do it. Blake and Jon are both really good actors and both just don't want to do "Gossip Girl"

and "Mad Men."

You've made so many different kinds of movies from blockbusters to romantic-comedies, like "Armageddon" and "Gigli."



TV
Alex O'Loughlin
takes it all off
for his art—and
"Hawaii Five-O."
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BANK ON BEN



This is how to play cops and robbers

Bank robber Doug (Ben Affleck, who directed and co-wrote) wants out of the game. But he develops a relationship with Claire (Rebecca

Hall), the manager at the bank he and his crew just robbed, while Doug's long-time friend and cohort James (Jeremy Renner) insists the gang keep working.

The buzz: Well what do you know? Affleck is making a movie in Boston. Hey, if he can infuse this adaptation of Chuck Hogan's 2004 novel "Prince of Thieves" with the authenticity and moral complexity of "Gone Baby Gone," the guy can stick around his hometown for good.

The verdict: The makers of "Takers" will watch the impressive, exciting "The Town" and say, "So that's how it's done." The movie does not identify why the Charlestown part of Boston breeds so many bank robbers

or escape its theme of romantic deception (which feels recycled from the credibility-straining trysts in "The Departed"). Yet a slowly building crime epic evolves from tight performances, including excellent work by Jon Hamm as the FBI investigator and Blake Lively as Doug's ex. Affleck's developing eye for detail is revealed in several perceptive scenes. A sequence in which Doug realizes Claire may spot the little Irish logo on James' neck and identify her captors could have generated only impatience. Affleck, hitting just the right notes between tension and dark humor, milks it until you could swear the tattoo is screaming.

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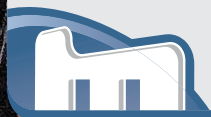
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Loyalty draws Renner to role

The Fresno Bee

When director Ben Affleck began looking for an actor who could play tough and sympathetic in his crime drama "The Town," he thought of Jeremy Renner.

Renner, a best actor Oscar nominee for last year's "The Hurt Locker," stars as James Coughlin, who will do anything to protect his friends and fellow thieves in the film, which opens Friday. Renner plays the loose cannon without a hint of cliché.

It helped that Renner knows a lot about being loyal. Although his family moved around a lot when he was young, Renner had a few friends who were as close as brothers.

"My friends and family are the most important thing in my life. That belief system of loyalty is an amazing thing and lovely to have. It makes you feel like you belong on the planet," he says.

Before filming started on "The Town," Renner saw his character as a flashy guy who makes things—maybe good, maybe bad—happen. Then Renner looked deeper.

"It was the loyalty aspect of the character that I really, really thought was intriguing and dimensional to the character, so he's not just a heavy but that there's a reason for what he's doing," Renner said.

Renner is getting the anti-hero thing down. He's now starting work on "Mission: Impossible IV" and will portray the ace archer Hawkeye in the Marvel Comics movie "The Avengers."

Do you ever look back and have regrets for any of those choices?

There are movies that I loved that no one's seen. There are movies that I didn't like that everyone saw. I've had all kinds of different

experiences in this business, and I'm really happy where I am now. So I wouldn't change any of them because then I'd be worried that I wouldn't have wound up right back here today.

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'Easy A'

PG-13


 » Read Matt's
interview with
Emma Stone
in Saturday's
RedEye and at
metromix.com.


Emma gets an 'A'

"No biggie," Olive (Emma Stone) thinks, when an inaccurate rumor alleging she had sex turns her into the talk of her high school. She's an outsider and likes the attention, until it leads to friction with her best friend (Aly Michalka). Increasingly outrageous gossip about her makes conservative abstinence advocate Marianne (Amanda Bynes) desperate to change Olive's supposedly sinning ways. Bonus: Stanley Tucci and Patricia Clarkson as Olive's parents.

The buzz: Loosely updated from Olive's English class reading material "The Scarlet Letter," "Easy A" harkens back to the 1990s when numerous teen comedies found "inspiration" in classic literature, as if "Pygmalion" really soars when transformed into a Freddie Prinze Jr. vehicle ("She's All That"). Anyway, good to see Stone ("Zombieland," "Superbad") getting a chance to headline and, hopefully, director Will Gluck permanently putting his very recent garbage "The Switch" out of our minds.

The verdict: Clearly writer Bert V. Royal had to finish the script before his cookies finished baking. Why else would the all-over-the-place "Easy A" feel so rushed? Few characters register, leaving a


Stone
SCREEN GEMS

steady stream of funny one-liners alone to support the movie's manic energy. Well, there's also the very likable Stone's charm, even if Olive's way too cool and beautiful to be convincing as a loner. She also seems too emotionally mature to succumb to her teenage plight. The movie, forgettable entertainment that could have been teen movie excellence, says more about teens' desperation for inclusion than how real,

modern kids feel about sex. It's "The Scarlet Letter" trying too hard to be "Juno."

EVEN FASTER-PAISED



'Heartbreaker' (Not rated)
"Skips along with a funny, stylish flair that only adds to a brisk yet breezy romanticism."

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- **Easy A** (PG-13) ♦ 10:40,1:00,3:30,5:45,8:15,10:35
- **Resident Evil: Afterlife** 3D (R) 12:30,3:00,5:30,8:00,10:45
- **Devil** (PG-13) 11:40,1:50,4:00,6:15,8:30,10:40
- **Going the Distance** (R) ♦ 11:30,2:15,5:00,7:40,10:10
- **Resident Evil: Afterlife** (R) 11:00,1:40,4:15,7:00,9:45
- **Takers** (PG-13) 11:50,2:45,5:15,7:50,10:20
- AMC Independent **The American** (R) ♦ 11:15,2:00,4:40,7:15,10:00
- **Inception** (PG-13) 10:50,2:30,6:00,9:30

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- **Heartbreaker** (NR) 1:55,4:45,7:20,10:00
- **Cairo Time** (PG) 2:00,7:15
- **I'm Still Here** (R) 2:00,4:40,7:25,10:05
- **The Tillman Story** (R) 1:50,4:30,7:30,10:15
- **The Kids Are All Right** (R) 1:30,4:20,7:00,10:10
- **Soul Kitchen** (NR) 4:35,9:40
- **Get Low** (PG-13) 1:40,4:15,7:10,9:55
- **Mesrine: Killer Instinct** (R) 1:40,7:20
- **Mesrine: Public Enemy No. 1** (R) 4:25,10:00

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- **The Town** (R) 12:40,1:10,3:40,4:10,6:40,7:10,9:40,10:15
- **Resident Evil: Afterlife** (R) 2:15,4:50,7:15,9:45
- **Machete** (R) 1:40,4:15,6:50,9:30
- **Going the Distance** (R) 9:20,7:25
- **The American** (R) 1:50,4:30,7:20,9:50
- **Takers** (PG-13) 12:20,3:10,6:20,9:00
- **The Last Exorcism** (PG-13) 12:05,5:05,9:55

DAVIS THEATRE (VALUE)

 4614 N. Lincoln Ave., Chicago
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- **The Town** (R) ♦ 4:50,7:20,9:50
- **Get Low** (PG-13) 5:20,7:30,9:40
- **Resident Evil: Afterlife** (R) ♦ 5:40,7:40,9:45
- **The American** (R) 5:10,7:30,9:50

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- **The Town** (R) ♦ 10:30,1:30,4:30,7:30,11:00
- **Easy A** (PG-13) ♦ 10:50,1:15,3:25,5:45,8:10,10:40
- **Devil** (PG-13) ♦ 10:30,11:45,1:00,2:15,3:30,4:45,6:00,7:15,8:30,9:45,11:00
- **Resident Evil: Afterlife** 3D (R) ♦ 10:40,12:55,3:10,5:30,7:50,10:10
- **Alpha and Omega** (PG) 10:20,12:40,2:55,5:20,7:40,9:55
- **Machete** (R) 11:25,1:50,4:25,6:50,9:20
- **Resident Evil: Afterlife** (R) 11:05,1:25,3:40,5:55,8:20,10:50
- **Takers** (PG-13) ♦ 10:35,11:35,1:02,10:35,4:45,6:25,7:25,9:00,10:00
- **The Last Exorcism** (PG-13) 10:45,1:20,3:30,5:50,8:15,10:30
- **Lottery Ticket** (PG-13) 10:25,12:50,3:10,5:30,7:55,10:20
- **Vampires Suck** (PG-13) 10:55,1:05,3:15,5:25,7:35,9:50
- **Despicable Me** (PG) 10:15,12:35,2:50,5:05,7:20,9:40

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- **Gilda** (NR) 6:00 P.M.
- **Ghost Bird** (NR) 6:15,8:00
- **Quai des Orfèvres** (NR) 8:15 P.M.

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- **Scott Pilgrim vs. the World** (PG-13) 1:00,3:05,5:05,7:15,9:30
- **Toy Story 3** (G) 1:15,3:25,5:30,7:45,9:55
- **Despicable Me** (PG) 12:55,2:45,4:35,6:25,8:15,10:05
- **The Other Guys** (PG-13) 1:05,3:15,5:15,7:35,9:45

MUSIC BOX

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- **Genius Within: The Inner Life of Glenn Gould** (NR)
5:00,7:20,9:40
- **Mademoiselle Chambon** (NR) 5:15,7:30,9:45
- **The Room** (R) 11:59 P.M.
- **Judge Dredd** (R) 11:59 P.M.

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- AMC Independent **Mao's Last Dancer** (PG) 1:40,4:20,7:00,9:30
- AMC Independent **The Concert** (PG-13) 2:00,7:15,9:55
- AMC Independent **A Woman, a Gun and a Noodle Shop** (R)
2:55,5:05,7:25,9:45
- AMC Independent **I Am Love** (R) 4:30 P.M.
- **The Girl Who Played With Fire** (R) 1:00,3:45,6:30,9:20

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- **The Virginity Hit** (R) ♦ 9:30 P.M.
- **Alpha and Omega 3-D** (PG) 10:05,12:20,2:40,4:50,7:10,9:35,11:50
- **The Town** (R) 10:15,11:15,12:00,1:15,2:15,3:00,4:15,5:15,6:00,7:15,8:15,9:00,10:15,11:15,12:00
- **Easy A** (PG-13) ♦ 10:00,11:25,12:25,1:50,2:55,4:20,5:20,7:20,8:40,9:40,10:50,11:50
- **Devil** (PG-13) 10:20,11:40,12:40,1:50,2:50,4:00,5:00,6:00,7:20,8:40,9:40,10:50,11:50
- **Resident Evil: Afterlife** 3D (R) 10:15,12:45,2:20,3:15,4:55,5:50,7:25,8:20,10:00,11:00
- **I'm Still Here** (R) ♦ 10:50,1:45,4:40,7:35,10:25
- **Going the Distance** (R) 11:35,2:25,4:55,7:45,10:35
- **Resident Evil: Afterlife** (R) 11:00,1:40,4:10,6:45,9:15,12:00
- **Machete** (R) 11:05,2:00,4:45,7:30,10:10
- AMC Independent **The American** (R) 10:10,1:00,4:05,6:50,9:45
- **Takers** (PG-13) ♦ 11:20,2:10,5:05,7:55,10:30
- **The Last Exorcism** (PG-13) 10:25,12:55,3:30,7:10,11:55
- **Eat Pray Love** (PG-13) 10:05,1:20,4:25,7:50
- **The Switch** (PG-13) 10:55 P.M.
- **The Expendables** (R) 9:25 P.M.
- **Scott Pilgrim vs. the World** (PG-13) 10:00,3:20,8:25
- **Salt** (PG-13) 11:30,1:55,4:35,7:05
- **The Other Guys** (PG-13) 12:50,5:55,11:05
- **Inception** (PG-13) ♦ 10:10,1:35,4:50,8:05,11:20

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- **Easy A** (PG-13) 10:55,12:05,1:30,2:40,4:05,5:15,6:40,7:50,9:15,10:25,11:50,12:45
- **Devil** (PG-13) 10:05,11:05,12:10,1:20,2:30,3:40,4:50,6:00,7:10,8:20,9:30,10:40,12:10,1:00
- **Resident Evil: Afterlife** 3D (R) 12:05,2:45,5:30,8:10,9:10,10:45,11:55
- **Alpha and Omega** (PG) 11:50,2:20,5:00,7:30,9:55,12:25
- **Going the Distance** (R) 11:15,2:05,4:45,7:35,10:20,12:50
- **Resident Evil: Afterlife** (R) 11:20,2:00,4:40,7:20,10:10,12:40
- **Machete** (R) 12:00,2:50,5:40,8:30,11:20
- AMC Independent **The American** (R) 10:30,1:15,4:10,7:00,9:50,12:35
- **Takers** (PG-13) 11:10,1:55,4:55,7:40,10:30,1:00
- **The Last Exorcism** (PG-13) 8:15,10:35,12:55
- **Eat Pray Love** (PG-13) 12:30,6:20,12:30
- **Nanny McPhee Returns** (PG) 11:40,2:25,5:20
- **The Expendables** (R) 10:15,4:35,10:55
- **The Other Guys** (PG-13) 10:00,3:40,9:40
- **Inception** (PG-13) 1:00,7:35

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- **Easy A** (PG-13) 12:30,2:45,5:00,7:15,9:30
- **Alpha and Omega** (PG) 12:10,2:30,4:50,7:00,9:40
- **The Town** (R) 1:00,1:50,3:45,4:40,6:30,7:30,9:15,10:15
- **Devil** (PG-13) 1:20,3:30,5:40,7:45,10:00
- **The American** (R) 12:00,2:40,5:10,7:40,10:10
- **Going the Distance** (R) 1:30,4:00,6:40,9:10
- **Machete** (R) 12:20,2:50,5:20,8:00,10:30
- **The Switch** (PG-13) 1:40,4:15
- **Eat Pray Love** (PG-13) 3:15,6:15
- **The Other Guys** (PG-13) 12:40,9:20

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- **The Town** (R) 9:55,12:50,4:05,7:00,10:05
- **Easy A** (PG-13) 11:05,1:35,4:10,7:10,9:30
- **Devil** (PG-13) 10:15,11:15,12:20,1:20,2:25,3:25,4:30,5:30,6:35,7:35,8:40,9:40,10:45
- **Resident Evil: Afterlife** 3D (R) 11:45,2:15,4:45,7:15,9:45
- **Alpha and Omega** (PG) 10:05,12:30,3:00,5:20,7:40,10:20
- **Machete** (R) 11:25,1:55,4:40,7:25,10:10
- **Resident Evil: Afterlife** (R) 10:45,1:15,3:45,6:15,8:45
- **Takers** (PG-13) 9:30,10:30,12:00,1:00,2:30,3:30,5:00,6:00,7:30,8:30,10:00
- **The Last Exorcism** (PG-13) 9:45,12:15,2:45,5:15,7:45,10:15
- **Lottery Ticket** (PG-13) 11:00,1:30,4:00,6:30,9:00
- **Nanny McPhee Returns** (PG) 10:00,1:40,4:35,7:20,9:55
- **The Other Guys** (PG-13) 11:10,1:50,4:25,7:05,9:35

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- **The Town** (R) 10:20,1:20,4:10,7:10,10:15
- **Easy A** (PG-13) 11:45,2:00,4:30,7:00,9:20,11:40
- **Devil** (PG-13) 10:10,11:30,12:30,1:45,2:45,4:00,5:00,6:00,7:15,8:15,9:30,10:30,11:45
- **Resident Evil: Afterlife** 3D (R) 10:50,1:15,3:45,6:15,8:30,11:00
- **Alpha and Omega** (PG) 10:15,12:45,3:00,5:15,7:30,9:45
- **Machete** (R) 11:00,1:40,4:15,6:45,9:10,11:30
- **Resident Evil: Afterlife** (R) 12:15,2:50,5:10,7:40,10:00
- **Takers** (PG-13) 10:00,12:20,2:50,5:20,7:50,10:45
- **The Last Exorcism** (PG-13) 11:55,2:10,4:20,6:40,9:00,11:10
- **Lottery Ticket** (PG-13) 10:45,1:00,3:15,5:30,7:45,10:10
- **Piranha** (R) 12:50,5:45,10:40
- **The Expendables** (R) 10:30,3:10,8:10
- **Vampires Suck** (PG-13) 11:15,1:30,3:30,5:40,8:00,10:05
- **The Other Guys** (PG-13) 11:50,2:20,4:50,7:20,9:50

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- **Devil** (PG-13) ♦ 7:40,10:10
- **The Town** (R) ♦ 8:00,11:00
- **Alpha and Omega 3-D** (PG) ♦ 11:15,1:50,4:30,6:50,9:10
- **Devil** (PG-13) ♦ 10:50,12:40,1:45,3:00,4:15,5:15,6:40,9:30
- **Easy A** (PG-13) ♦ 11:45,2:20,4:45,7:15,9:40
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- **Going the Distance** (R) ♦ 10:30,1:10,3:45,6:45,9:15
- **Machete** (R) ♦ 11:30,2:10,4:50,7:30,10:15
- **The American** (R) 11:10,1:40,4:40,7:45,10:30
- **Takers** (PG-13) 7:10,9:55
- **Takers** (PG-13) 10:40,1:20,4:10
- **Scott Pilgrim vs. the World** (PG-13) 10:45,1:30,4:20,7:20,10:05
- **The Other Guys** (PG-13) 11:50,2:40,5:20,8:10,10:45
- **Inception** (PG-13) 11:20,2:50,6:30,9:50

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- **The Town** (R) ♦ **VIP Premium 21+** 1:00,4:00,7:00,10:00
- **The American** (R) **VIP Premium 21+** 11:10,1:40,4:40,7:45,10:30

OAK PARK

LAKE CINEMAS (CLASSIC)

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- **Eat Pray Love** (PG-13) 12:40,3:35,6:30,9:25
- **Alpha and Omega 3-D** (PG) ♦ 12:30,2:35,4:40,6:45,8:50
- **Inception** (PG-13) 1:30,4:35,7:40
- **Resident Evil: Afterlife** 3D (R) ♦ 12:30,2:45,5:00,7:15,9:30
- **The Town** (R) ♦ 1:40,4:20,7:00,9:40
- **The American** (R) 12:10,2:30,4:50,7:10,9:30
- **Easy A** (PG-13) ♦ 12:55,3:05,5:15,7:25,9:35

EVANSTON

CENTURY 12/CINEARTS 6 (CENTURY)

 1715 Maple Ave., Evanston
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- **Superbad** (R) ♦ 12:01 Midnight
- **Alpha and Omega 3-D** (PG) ♦ 12:00,2:20,4:35,7:00,9:20,11:35
- **Devil** (PG-13) ♦ 12:45,2:55,5:05,7:15,9:25,11:35
- **Devil** (PG-13) ♦ 11:55,2:10,4:20,6:30,8:40,10:50
- **Easy A** (PG-13) ♦ 12:20,1:05,2:35,3:25,5:05,6:55,7:30,8:20,9:55,10:45
- **Resident Evil: Afterlife** (R) ♦ ♦ 6:55,9:30,11:55
- **The Town** (R) ♦ 11:50,1:50,2:45,4:45,5:35,7:40,8:30,10:35,11:25
- **The Virginity Hit** (R) ♦ 9:30 P.M.
- **Bran Nue Dae** (PG-13) ♦ 12:15 P.M.
- **Eat Pray Love** (PG-13) 11:45,5:30
- **Get Low** (PG-13) 11:30,1:55,4:40,7:25,10:00
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'Devil'
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'Devil' filmmakers ratchet up tension

L.A. Times

There's no question that John Erick Dowdle and Drew Dowdle's new film "Devil" is an anomaly in today's Hollywood.

A \$21 million supernatural thriller about five strangers trapped in an elevator and the evil lurking among them, it's not based on a graphic novel, nor is it a remake or a reboot of a TV series. The ensemble cast includes no instantly recognizable faces.

"Devil," opening Friday, marks the first installment in M. Night Shyamalan's "Night Chronicles," a planned trilogy of original stories conceived by the filmmaker but turned over to others to execute.

The Dowdles—John Erick directs, Drew produces—are grateful to have worked with Shyamalan and for the creative freedom he afforded them on their biggest project to date. Yet they recognize that his name comes with some baggage these days.

Since the Oscar-nominated success of 1999's "The Sixth Sense," Shyamalan has become a controversial figure, someone critics and audiences seem to love to hate.

"Any negative press surrounding a movie worries you," Drew Dowdle conceded, acknowledging the reports about moviegoers jeering and booing the very mention of Shyamalan during the "Devil" trailer. "His name does us so much more good—the good far outweighs the bad in terms of the exposure this film has."

John Erick, a New York University film

school graduate, and Drew, a former mergers and acquisitions specialist on Wall Street, had completed two films—the low-budget indie "The Dry Spell" and "The Poughkeepsie Tapes," a hard R-rated quasi-documentary about a serial killer's cache of home movies—with a third wrapped but not released before meeting Shyamalan.

It was "Poughkeepsie" that brought the Minnesota natives to his attention, and after asking to see an early copy of their upcoming "Quarantine," the director invited them to his home to gauge their interest in making "Devil." They were hired on the spot.

"It's always a race to call Mom first on those days," John Erick said.

The 39-day Toronto shoot went off largely without a hitch, though there were one or two spooky coincidences that caused a raised eyebrow or two. When the crew first was scouting the skyscraper that was home to much of the production, a woman became trapped in an elevator that stopped between floors, and she had to wait hours before being rescued.

"We were like, 'This is a good omen! This is our building,'" Drew recalled. "Then when we were coming back for another scout, they had another problem with the elevator where multiple people got stuck."

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Ali Larter (left) and Milla Jovovich in 'Resident Evil: Afterlife'
SCREEN GEMS



RESIDENT EVIL: AFTERLIFE

@CM_NERD: Resident Evil 3D Such a snooze fest .. Way to much talking for an action movie. 2 out 5

@beth1170: Resident Evil Aftermath was tons of a\$\$ kicking fun in 3D. Thin plot, but great action. Who doesn't love zombies?

@vaughnchicago: "Resident Evil:Afterlife" Lots of action, simplistic plot, nice eye candy, sequel to come. That about sums it up.

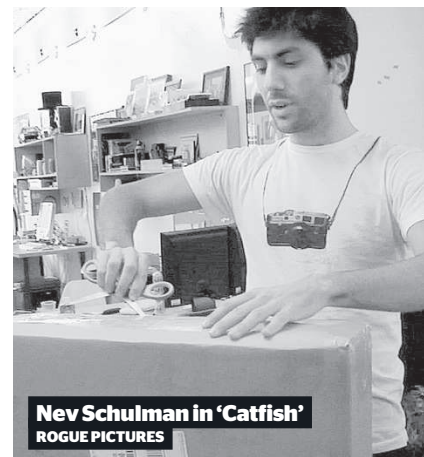
@Vaunbuc: I saw Resident Evil 4 tonight. Its good but I'm still wondering why it was in 3D. Action is worth the money though!!

OTHERS

@jktv: "Tillman Story" way too long and drawn-out but overall a good Bush administration bashing film!

@KyleKalbfleisch: Takers is a nonstop joy ride of a film! Stars, storyline and plenty of entertainment!

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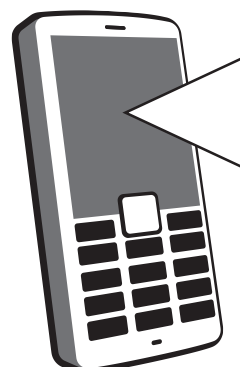


Nev Schulman in 'Catfish'
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EASY A

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Awkward at every turn

By Ernest Wilkins

METROMIX

Four friends make a pact to lose their virginity while smoking a special bong to commemorate the occasion—thus the “hit.” All but Matt (Matt Bennett) do so quickly. His relationship with Nicole (Nicole Weaver) ends before they seal the deal, when Matt learns Nicole hooked up with a random college guy at a party. Being the good dudes they are, his friends launch an elaborate and often ridiculous plot to get Matt sex.

The buzz: Being touted as “Superbad” for the YouTube generation,” this film brings the teenage sex comedy into the world of viral video by presenting itself largely through documentary-style footage on iPhones and other modern gadgets of communication. It also arrives the same week as yet another movie

‘The Virginity Hit’ *R*



Nicole Weaver and Matt Bennett in ‘The Virginity Hit’

about losing your virginity, “Easy A.”

The verdict: “The Virginity Hit” feels as awkward as high school itself. From a character voyeuristically and shakily filming everything to the random subplot about Matt’s dad being a drug addict, the movie tries to do too much in 90 minutes. I laughed out loud at the guys’ absurd

solutions to their various problems. But many questions remain: Is it a coming-of-age story? Are we supposed to believe these characters would agree to being filmed all the time? More important, shouldn’t all plot questions disappear when watching a brainless teen sex romp that’s actually fun?

OTHER NEW MOVIES

!!!! **‘Centurion’** *R*

Who’s in it: Michael Fassbender, Olga Kurylenko, David Morrissey, Liam Cunningham, Noel Clarke

What it’s about: Centurion Quintus Dias (Fassbender) leads a band of Roman soldiers, survivors of a deadly Pict raid upon the legendary 9th Roman Legion, across breathtakingly beautiful and forbidding Caledonian mountain terrain to escape the clutches of Pict assassins led by “she-wolf” Etain (Kurylenko).

Worth watching? “If you want to see what fighting with bladed weapons very likely looked like, behold this display of beheadings, dismemberments, throat slittings and arrow piercings. It is pure gorehound heaven.” JAMES VERNIERE, BOSTON HERALD



!!!! **‘Alpha and Omega’** *PG*

Who’s in it: Voices of Justin Long, Hayden Panettiere, Christina Ricci, Danny Glover, Vicki Lewis, Dennis Hopper

What it’s about: A 3-D pack of wolves living free in the wilds of a Canadian park is separated into alphas—the leadership and

hunting class, who only breed with their kind—and the omegas, the goofy hangers-on who don’t really pull their weight in the pack.

Worth watching? “The Chris Denk-Steve Moore script has a classic odyssey structure, but too few incidents to energize the journey.” ROGER MOORE, THE ORLANDO SENTINEL

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TRIVIA: EMMA STONE

Score an 'Easy A'

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Emma Stone stars in "Easy A," which opens Friday. Stone plays a girl who lets the student body believe that she's lost her virginity even though she hasn't. Soon enough, she's using the rumor and her newfound persona to help her make new friends and some extra cash. Find out how much you know about Stone.

1. What song did Stone use in her PowerPoint presentation to convince her parents to let her pursue an acting career?

- A. "Beverly Hills" by Weezer
- B. "Hollywood" by Madonna
- C. "California Girls" by The Beach Boys
- D. "Over the Rainbow" by Judy Garland

2. What instrument did Stone learn to play for her role in "The Rocker"?

- A. Bass
- B. Guitar
- C. Piano
- D. Harmonica

3. Which feature film did Stone get her Hollywood start in?

- A. "Zombieland"
- B. "The House Bunny"
- C. "Ghosts of Girlfriends Past"
- D. "Superbad"

4. Stone provided the voice for which character in the animated film "Marmaduke"?

- A. Mazie
- B. Raisin
- C. Jezebel
- D. Suzie

5. To what classic novel does Stone's upcoming film "Easy A" parallels itself?

- A. "Great Expectations"
- B. "Madame Bovary"
- C. "The Scarlett Letter"
- D. "Pride and Prejudice"



Emma Stone
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ANSWERS:

1) B. Stone convinced her parents, dropped out of high school and moved to L.A. when she was 15.

2) A. Stone learned to play the bass for the 2008 comedy film. She played along with singer Teddy Geiger in the film's band.

3) D. Stone played Jules in the teen hit. She asked Jonah Hill's character, Seth, to bring alcohol to a party she was throwing and was his love interest.

4) A. Stone's character, Mazie, develops a crush on Marmaduke, the film's hero, who is voiced by Owen Wilson.

5) C. Stone's character recognizes the parallels in her life and the novel's heroine because she is reading the book in school.

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Andrew Garfield will take over the role of Peter Parker in the next "Spider-Man" movie, which is set for a 2012 release. REUTERS FILE

Studios hit 'reboot' button

L.A. Times

When Sony Pictures' plan for a fourth "Spider-Man" movie starring Tobey Maguire fell apart in January, the studio had to come up with a new way to keep the superhero series alive after three movies released from 2002-07 grossed \$2.5 billion worldwide.

Its solution: Start over.

Like many others in Hollywood seeking to breathe new life into an established movie franchise, Sony decided to "reboot."

First used in computer parlance, "rebooting" is, along with 3-D, Hollywood's latest fad. If a sequel continues an original story, a prequel tells what happened earlier and a remake portrays the same events again, a reboot takes a franchise back to its origins and begins again with a different take—and cast.

The new "Spider-Man" film, scheduled for 2012, is expected to focus more on the personal life of teenager-turned-web-crawler Peter Parker than the 2002 original. The 35-year-old Maguire will be replaced by little-known, British-raised actor Andrew Garfield, 27.

"Reboot is a word that lets you have your cake and eat it too," said Erik Feig, president

Starting over

Development slates at most major studios are packed with reboots. Among them are:

- » "Spider-Man"
- » "The Haunted Mansion"
- » "Superman" (right)
- » "Fantastic Four"
- » "Total Recall"
- » "Highlander"
- » "The Wizard of Oz"
- » "Planet of the Apes"



of production for Summit Entertainment, which is rebooting the science-fiction series "Highlander." "You get to make a movie that has brand awareness, but you're not slavishly tied to what was done before."

However trendy they may be, reboots have far-reaching financial and artistic implications. Studios use them to hold down escalating costs, keep popular franchises going when a traditional follow-up isn't possible, or take one with a shrinking core audience and re-

work it for a broader crowd.

For those hoping to see more original stories on screen, however, reboot-mania is a discouraging example of creative poverty in the movie business. Most big-budget event films already are sequels or are based on popular existing properties, be they books such as "Harry Potter," video games such as "Prince of Persia" or toys such as the upcoming "BattleShip." But with the option to reboot, studio executives don't even need to look for new material to adapt.

"The obsession with brand names is getting ridiculous and now feeding off itself," said Mark Steven Johnson, the writer and director of "Daredevil," the 2003 film that is being developed as a reboot. "We made 'Daredevil' because people knew it from the comic books, and now it's seen as a title worth rebooting."

The reboot trend has been building steam for a while. "Batman Begins" presented a new origin for a well-known character in 2005, as did the 2006 James Bond movie "Casino Royale." Last year's "Star Trek" proved it can work for a franchise that many thought was dead.

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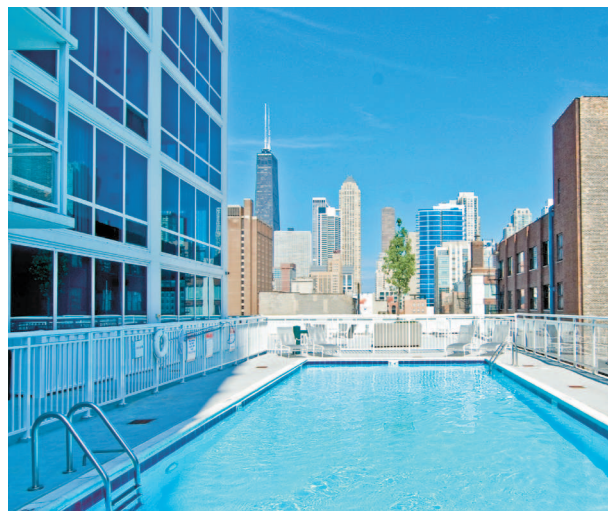
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NEWS ALERT

Lincoln Park bar Skybar is reopening as **Fuze** (2242 N. Lincoln Ave.).

Guess what, Chicago: There's more to Japanese food than dragon rolls

By Lisa Arnett and M. Kathleen Pratt

For a long time in Chicago, Japanese food was synonymous with sushi. Sure, you could find the occasional add-on—maybe some miso soup or a tempura plate—but for the most part, it was all about the spicy tuna roll. Now, at last, a new wave of Japanese restaurants is shaking up the scene. Some serve sushi, and some won't go near the stuff. But one thing's certain: You won't be limited to Philadelphia rolls and edamame at any of them.



NOW OPEN

Chizakaya

3056 N. Lincoln Ave. 773-697-4725

You won't find your go-to rainbow roll on the menu at this new Lakeview spot, but you'll hardly miss it. Chizakaya (that's a homespun word blend of *Chicago* and *izakaya*, a sort of Japanese pub) explores casual Japanese fare with a lineup of affordable, sharable eats such as pickled veggies, puffed pigs ears (above), yakitori (grilled skewers of meat), crispy chicken thighs and roasted oysters. Chef-owner Harold Jurado and chef de cuisine Robert Rubba bring local, seasonal ingredients to the table, and Chantelle Pabros (an L2O vet) has crafted a beverage program heavy on sake, shochu and whiskeys to ensure a well-rounded night out.

Don't-miss dish: Chawanmushi, a silky savory steamed egg custard (\$6)

Arami

1829 W. Chicago Ave. 312-243-1535

Fish isn't forbidden at this new West Town spot (chef/co-owner BK Park is, after all, among the best sushi chefs in town), but it doesn't dominate the menu. Look beyond the short list of maki mono, nigiri and sashimi to the hot and cold appetizers and noodle dishes, and you'll find perfectly seared scallops, aromatic sake-steamed mussels and a crunchy umami-bomb of a mushroom salad.

Don't-miss dish: Arami ramen (\$12), an earthy, comforting pot of noodles loaded with rich pork belly, braised short ribs and kamaboko, then crowned with a poached egg; house-made Japanese pickles seal the deal



Chizakaya's Robert Rubba and Harold Jurado
BARRY BRECHEISEN PHOTO FOR METROMIX

The maki revolt

COMING SOON

Wasabi

2539 N. Milwaukee Ave. 773-227-8180

Named for sushi's spicy green sidekick, this Logan Square BYOB plans to roll out about two dozen maki, including creative treats such as a Korean barbecue beef roll. But the kitchen also will turn out Japanese ramen, udon and soba noodle dishes, as well as tradition-bucking entrees such as grilled snapper with sweet potato fries, a play on fish and chips. Other crave-worthy eats include duck yakitori and Japanese fried chicken that'll be marinated in soy, ginger and garlic before taking a dip in the deep fryer.

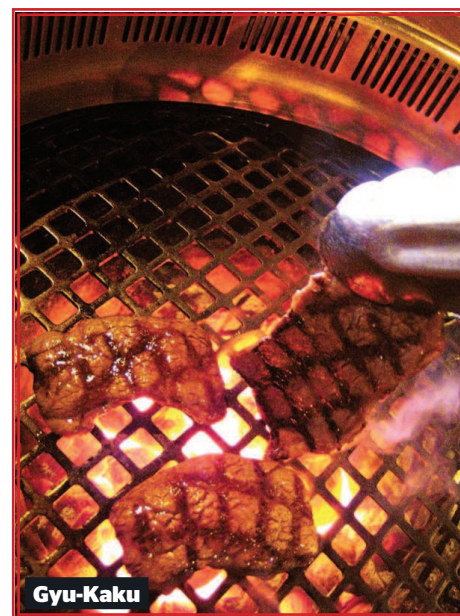
ETA: Early to mid-October

Gyu-Kaku

210 E. Ohio St.

This yakiniku (Japanese barbecue) chain with hundreds of locations across Japan is landing in Streeterville. After sushi, "it's the second most popular dining style in Japan," says Dennis Maneefuangfoo, vice president of Reins International USA Co., the company operating Gyu-Kaku's dozen or so U.S. locations. Here's how it works: You match your cut of meat (from pork tenderloin to beef short ribs) with a marinade (miso, garlic or pesto, to name a few) and then cook bite-sized pieces over a circular grill built into the table.

ETA: Mid- to late October



Gyu-Kaku

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THE TICKER

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» Uber-popular Edgewater eatery M. Henry has a new sibling spot, **M. Henrietta** (1133 W. Granville Ave.). They both have similar brunch and lunch menus, but unlike Henry, Henrietta's open for dinner.

» Chef Kendal Duque, who most recently cooked at Cuna but was more well-known for his time at Sepia, just joined the kitchen at the **Chicago Firehouse Restaurant** (1401 S. Michigan Ave.).

» After some trial runs, **Saigon Grill** (5736 N. Elston Ave.) in Jefferson Park officially opens today.

» **Chicago Cut Steakhouse** (300 N. La Salle St.) is slated to open Monday in River North.



House ramen at Chizakaya
BARRY BRECHEISEN PHOTO FOR METROMIX

On a roll

Can't get enough of sushi? We asked readers, followers and fans to tell us their favorite sushi spots in Chicago and why they love them so.

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@m168angels

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I love Coast and Tank! Both have great specialty rolls and Coast is byob! Tank has delicious martinis as well :-)

@Heatherrr08

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I really enjoy Sushi Wabi in the West Loop on Randolph. The food and vibe is amazing! Very Tranquil :)

@ChefClaxton

Tatsu Sushi on Taylor, get the Tako salad

FACEBOOK

Cindy Velez

Kyoto on Halsted Stuffed tomato is awesome!

Lauren Emma

Sunda and Tokyo Lunch Boxes on Randolph!

Cece Weideman

RA Sushi in the Gold Coast, how can you not love the Las Vegas Rolls or their awesome happy hour specials!

Manuel Cantoria

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Main attraction: The eight-strong menu of crepes (four savory for \$8, four sweet for \$6) made to order from 11 a.m.-7 p.m. (all-day service coming next month). If you like crepes for breakfast or lunch but consider them a wimpy dinner option, the rich, savory options here will change your mind. In the Tartiflette, thick smoked bacon, onions, potatoes and white wine are cooked to a creamy casserole-like goodness before being scooped and folded into a crepe. The Madrange ham with Comté cheese and a sunny side up egg is pure breakfast-for-dinner deliciousness. Ratatouille with goat cheese or roasted tomatoes with garlic, mozzarella and pesto round out the options.

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Tell us something random about the band, and why that's significant.

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Whom would you want to work with, and with whom would you never work? Why?

We would love to work MORE with the Black Crowes, Gov't Mule—tip of the iceberg. We'd also like to work with the North Mississippi All-stars and Neil Young and the Allman Brothers—maybe the Black Keys and Wolfmother.

We don't want to work with anyone who takes themselves to be a serious musician and yet they can't even play their own instrument. We think it is awful that it is acceptable today to wear tight jeans and wavy hair and call yourself a rocker and yet you can't play a guitar better than a sixth-grader.

If the band were a '90s sitcom character, whom would it be and why?

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10:30 p.m. \$7. Martyrs', 3855 N. Lincoln Ave. 773-404-9869.

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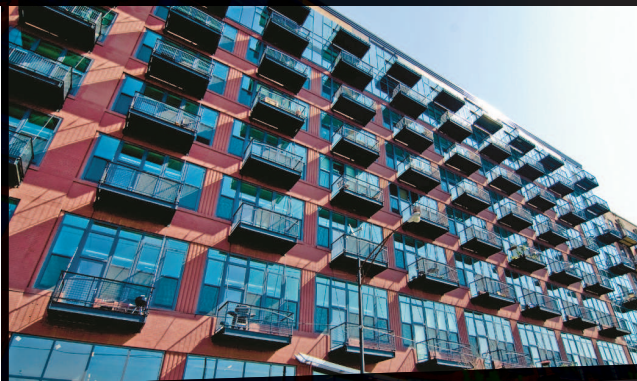
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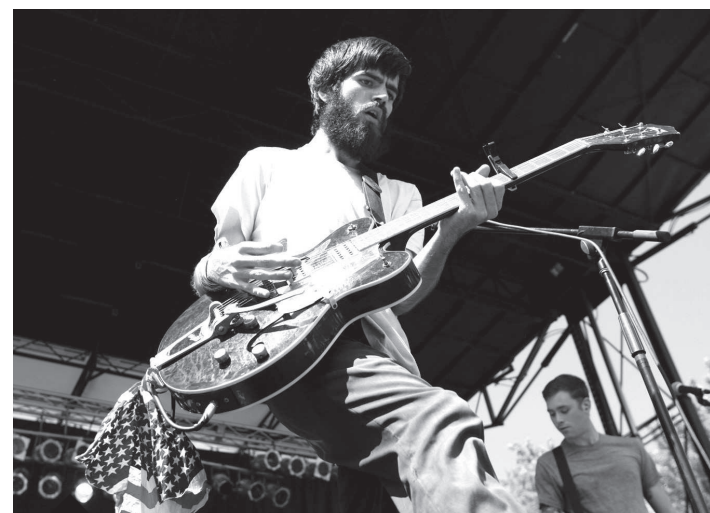
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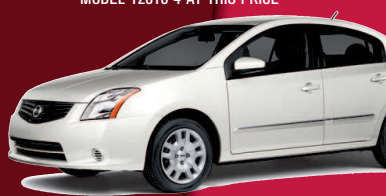
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QUESTION OF THE WEEK

@mmxmusic question of the week asked: Lady Gaga and Justin Bieber were the talk of the MTV VMAs. Who is more deserving of success in music and why?

Here are some answers we liked from Twitter and Facebook. Follow @mmxmusic and watch for next week's question!

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@chels4590

Lady Gaga by far, she is more inventive creative and reaching. And she really is a true performer.

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Lady Gaga. She worked hard for years in obscurity to develop her talent and creative brain. Bieber was found on YouTube.

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Lady Gaga! She has meaning behind every song and outfit

she wears. She is keeping creativity alive.

@micaltena

if lady gaga and justin bieber are successful, my definition of success is seriously flawed

@ondraceka

can the answer be WHO FREAKING CARES?

@KelliZink

Lady Gaga- she has been busting her booty quietly for years and is confident to break barriers on hot topics.

@T_Robel

To paraphrase the eternal wisdom of Michael Bolton from Office Space, they're both no-talent ass clowns.

@brittcohen1

I say both! Lady Gaga is very powerful in communities and charities! Bieber is a tween-age heartthrob! + they can sing!

@ultra_balexbot

Lady Gaga: because she's an ADULT

@bomiton1

Neither! I hope they both go away. Especially GaGa for ripping everyone off from the 80s!

FACEBOOK

Debbie Kelly

Neither, in 10 years they will be long forgotten. Gaga is fun to listen to, sometimes, but her music does not have staying power.

Vonaire Daly

Neither. I won't waste words

on Justin Bieber, and sorry Lady Gaga, Madonna did it already. Nice try, though.

Rob Homa

Between those two. Gaga. Now if you stuck me with Justin Bieber and Ke\$ha, I'd be wanting to throw 'em both off a bridge!

Joel Tomas

I'll just say Gaga... at least she's not selling herself out and her "I used to be picked on and geeky" message is strong with kids that follow her.

Kyle Leonard

I don't think either are musicians, are they?

Michael Andrews

Success in music? How about success in world record's to make one's ear bleed

Bry Hearn

Gaga!!! She has it all!!! She has a very good voice, writes her own music, in an incredible performer, NEVER Lip Syncs, and gives soo much to her fans!!! Definitely the most talented Pop Artist since Madonna!!

Carlyn Morris

Lady Gaga has talent: songwriter, dancer, singer, piano player, fashion icon and amazing marketer... Bieber can't really even sing...please...Gaga all the way!!!

Nadia Trousdale

Lady Gaga's simply doing what David Bowie did thirty-some years ago, which was create a character and entertain people with it. The only entertaining things about Justin Bieber were the revolving door and the water bottle.

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Sister Hazel, Friday, Dec. 17, Saturday, Dec. 18 (\$26-\$28, 17+) at House of Blues.

ON SALE 11 A.M. FRIDAY

Lifehouse, Friday, Nov. 5 (\$35.66-\$59.24, all ages) at Chicago Theatre.

ON SALE NOON FRIDAY

Aloe Blacc, Friday,

Nov. 12 (\$12, 21+) at Schubas.

Atlantic/Pacific, Friday, Dec. 3 (\$12, 21+) at Schubas.

Bo Burnham, Saturday, Oct. 23 (\$25, early show: all ages; late show: 17+) at Park West.

Candy Claws, The Chain Gang of 1974, Wednesday, Nov. 3 (\$10, 21+) at Schubas.

Danielle Ate the Sandwich, Friday, Nov. 19 (\$10, all ages) at Schubas.

Freelance Whales, Miniature Tigers, Thursday, Dec. 2 (\$15, 18+) at Lincoln Hall.

Futurebirds, Jonny Corndog,

Friday, Nov. 19 (\$8-\$10, 21+) at Schubas.

Ricky Gervais, Tuesday, Sept. 28 (\$50, 18+) at Park West.

The Moondoggies, Wednesday, Nov. 10 (\$8-\$10, 21+) at Schubas.

Peter Mulvey, Dave McGraw, Friday, Dec. 3 (\$14, 21+) at Schubas.

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The Black Keys, The Greenhornes, Friday, Dec. 31 (\$50, 18+) at Aragon.

Brandon Flowers, Tuesday, Nov. 23 (\$30, all ages) at Riviera Theatre.

Gold Motel, Saturday, Nov. 27 (\$10-\$12, all ages) at Subterranean.

Mike Gordon, Thursday, Nov. 18 (\$25, 18+) at Lincoln Hall.

The Gracious Few, American Bang, Friday, Nov. 12 (\$19, 21+) at Double Door.

Misfits, Juicehead, The Turbo Vamps, Sunday, Oct. 31 (\$22.50, 18+) at Vic Theatre.

The Rocket Summer, Friday, Oct. 29

(\$17, all ages) at Beat Kitchen.

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Ariel Pink's Haunted Graffiti, Os Mutantes, Friday, Nov. 19 (\$21, 18+) at Metro.

Daedalus, The Gaslamp Killer, 12th Planet, Teebs, Friday, Oct. 29 (\$20, 21+) at Double Door.

Delta Spirit, Darker My Love, The Fling, Saturday, Dec. 4 (\$16, 18+) at Metro.

Donavon Frankenreiter, Ximena Sarinana, Thursday, Nov. 18 (\$18-\$21, 21+) at Double Door.

Soulive, Friday, Nov. 19 (\$17.50-\$20, 21+) at Double Door.



Janelle Monae
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Janelle Monae and Of Montreal
When: 7 p.m. Sept. 25
Where: Riviera Theatre, 4746 N. Racine Ave.
Tickets: \$22 at etix.com

Not a minute to waste

The Hartford Courant

Janelle Monae knows exactly how long she spent at Wondaland Arts Society in Atlanta making "The ArchAndroid," her first full-length album.

"It took one year, 9 months, 18 days, 9 hours, 4 minutes and 3 seconds," the singer and songwriter says crisply by phone from L.A.

If her tally seems unusually specific, Monae, 24, has an explanation.

"We have 38 clocks on the wall in Wondaland, so it's not that hard," she says.

One imagines it was somewhat more difficult actually writing and recording "The ArchAndroid," a dazzling, ambitious concept album that essentially carves out its own genre. Let's call it soul-funk-indie-pop sci-fi, with a dash of hip-hop and a few cinematic orchestral passages, too.

The basic idea behind the album, and a 2007 EP, occurred to Monae a few years ago, while she was watching the 1927 silent movie "Metropolis." Just a few seconds into the dystopian story of workers who toil deep beneath the earth for the benefit of the pampered elite living on the surface, a title card appears on

the screen reading, "The mediator between brain and muscle must be the heart."

Monae was floored.

"I said, 'That's me! I'm the heart. I'm the one to unite,'" she says. "I want my music to unite the oppressed and the oppressors, the haves and the have-nots. That's really where it all came from."

Drawing on themes from the movie, Monae literally dreamed up an alter-ego named Cindi Mayweather, an android tasked with bringing together, she says, the privileged and the dispossessed. It's an idea that resonates so deeply with Monae that it bubbled up constantly from her subconscious.

Monae currently is sharing a tour bill with the indie dance-pop band Of Montreal (which also has a guest spot on "The ArchAndroid"). Because her songs are elements in a specific story, she's created a stage show to match, with videos, costumes and characters that join her on stage.

"Listening to the album is its own emotion picture that you can visualize in your mind," she says. "Coming to the live show, you get something not less than that, but something completely different."

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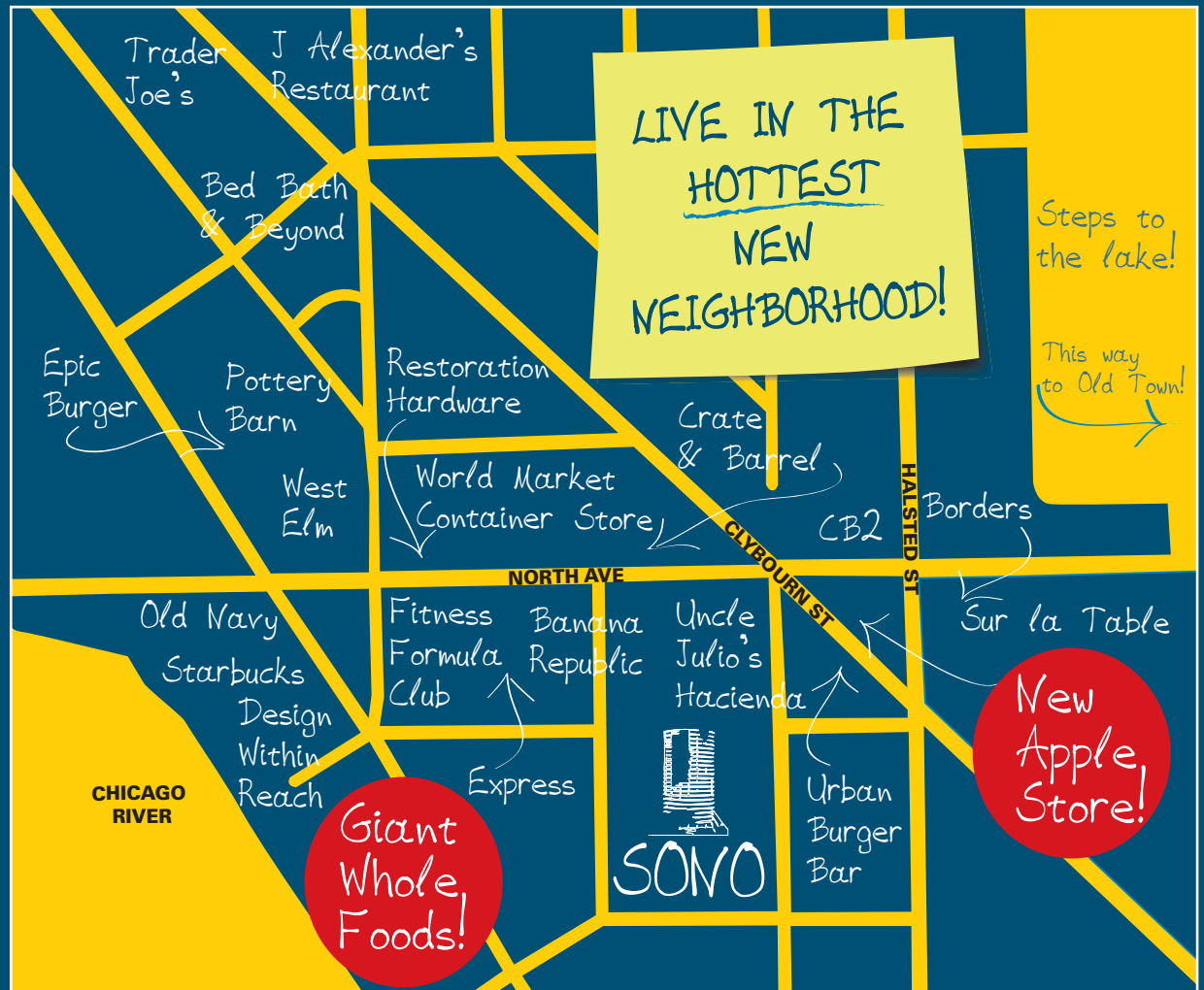
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Here comes the 'Five-0'



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'Hawaii Five-0'
9 p.m. Monday, CBS



Alex O'Loughlin hopes his third shot at TV success, "Hawaii Five-0," is a charm. In fact, he might try anything to make it happen.

"Anything that helps—just keep it on the air," the Aussie actor joked about the buzz generated by talk of his many shirtless scenes. "I'll get the whole kit off if you do that."

"Hawaii Five-0," the reboot of the 1960s police drama, premieres at 9 p.m. Monday on CBS with O'Loughlin creating a much more physical and sexier Steve McGarrett than Jack Lord did in the original. The new McGarrett is a Navy Seal who, after his father is murdered by baddie Victor Hesse (James Marsters), makes a deal with the governor to run an elite police task force designed to stop international terrorists, human traffickers and gun smugglers on the island.

He enlists the aid of former cop Chin Ho Kelly (Daniel Dae Kim), Kelly's newbie officer niece, Kono Kalakaua (Grace Park), as well as Danny "Danno" Williams (Scott Caan), who isn't real happy about being teamed with McGarrett.

It's an action-packed, gorgeously shot drama that, after his CBS series "Moonlight" and "Three Rivers" failed to catch fire, should finally give O'Loughlin a hit. I recently spoke on the phone with the actor during his day off from shooting on location in Hawaii.

Are you having fun in Hawaii?

Man, it's great. It's a really, really special part of the world. And I'm on a show that I'm really excited about. It's a reboot of the old show that we all know, most of us know and love, but it's got a very new, modern spin on the tale. ... We really deliver. It's got all the action, it's got all the character, it's got a great story. It just doesn't stop from one page to the next.

Critics talk a lot about character development and other things, but I just love seeing stuff blow up.

You and every other boy on the planet, mate.

The action is intense, and you're doing most of your stunts. Maybe you should get combat pay? Scott Caan was injured recently.

Yeah, he's a bit softer than me, mate.

[Laughs.] OK.

I don't want to tease him about it though, he'll get a complex.

Yeah, yeah. But that teasing sort of fits the relationship between your characters, right?

[Laughs.] Yeah, a little bit. Look, I'm actually a real softie myself. I'm kind of unlike Steve McGarrett in a lot of ways. I'm not as brave, I'm not as smart. [Laughs.] I'm a bit more open-hearted.

I enjoy the rapport between you and Scott,

your characters.

We have a great rapport between us. Something we discovered when we first met was that we had a bunch of mutual friends and we were born, literally, a couple of hours apart. There's a natural complicity that we found. We have very similar senses of humor, and a sort of sensibility of the world and just the way we're built. And so that really shows on screen and it plays so well in these two characters.

It gives the show a little bit of buddy-cop humor. I think it adds a lot to what could be just another procedural. Do you enjoy playing the comedy or the action more?

I love it all. I think most of the comedy lives in the relationship between McGarrett and Danno. In that back-and-forth banter that we have. It's the sort of funny that we have with our siblings, with people who know us better than anyone else. And it's almost like these two characters met and fell into this brotherly relationship before they even realized what was happening. It's as enjoyable to play as it is to watch.

You've headlined a couple of shows now that didn't last. Do you feel good about this one?

I do, mate. But who knows what's gonna happen? I just don't know. ... But basically, if this one doesn't go the distance, then I'm dumbfounded. I'm just going to go and learn how to build houses or something.



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Dave Filoni, supervising director of "Star Wars: The Clone Wars," promises a lot of character development in its third season, which begins Friday on the Cartoon Network.

"In the opening scroll of 2005's 'Star Wars: Revenge of the Sith,' it says, 'There are heroes on both sides. Evil is everywhere,'" Filoni, 36, said in a recent interview. "I can say that this season, we're going to get into that a lot more. I think it's a necessary point of the clone wars. And the audience will have a much better understanding of what the clone war really is when we're done with Season 3."

Filoni talked about the new season at Celebration V, the mega Star Wars convention in August in Orlando, Fla.

In the series, the good guy Jedi commanders—Obi-Wan Kenobi and Anakin Skywalker—and their clone troops fight against the

Clones prepare for rigorous training in an upcoming episode of 'Star Wars: The Clone Wars.'
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'Star Wars: The Clone Wars'

8 p.m. Friday,
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droid armies of the evil renegade Jedi Count Dooku.

Other major characters include Anakin Skywalker's apprentice—or "padawan"—Ahsoka Tano, and the clone leaders, Captain Rex and Commander Cody.

It was filmmaker George Lucas' idea to create Tano. "George came right in and said, 'I want Anakin to have a padawan. We're going to use this girl here, we'll call her Ahsoka.' It was just something he wanted to explore," Filoni said, adding, "We see her evolve and mature."

Filoni points out that there was "always a

strong female presence in the Clone Wars." He cites Duchess Satine Kryze, who is faced with an almost impossible task of reforming a warlike society on Mandalore. "She is the elected ruler of what was a warlike society that is trying, for its own survival, not to be what they were—to fight against this instinct to be warriors."

Filoni is very fond of the clones, especially Captain Rex, who reports to Anakin Skywalker. "Rex, to me, is the other pivotal character in that we don't know what happens to Rex. We hit right off the bat with the clones this

year, and I'm very happy with it."

He and Lucas have discussed going further into the individual personalities of the clones. "Anakin factors into that with Rex because he's different for a Jedi, so you have to think that his clone commander, his captain, would be different by being a friend of his."

"In fact, I would say, that for the audience, they almost identify the most with them. They don't have a magic sword or powers that are going to be out there save themselves. They're out there on the front line, giving their all."

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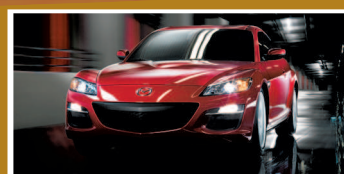
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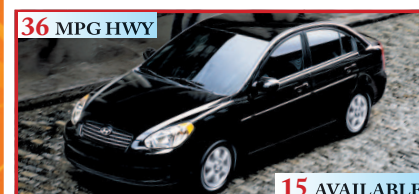
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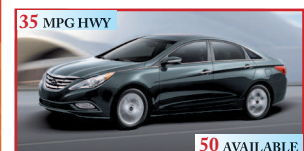
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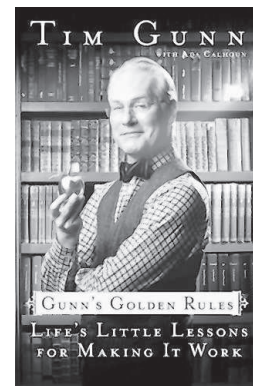
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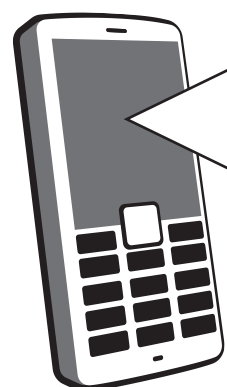
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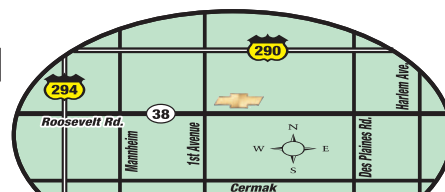
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ACROSS

- 1 Do the laundry
- 5 Loose
- 10 Word of woe
- 14 Santa __; Mexican hero
- 15 Caffè __; coffee selection
- 16 Stretch of lowland
- 17 Gloomy
- 18 Bury
- 19 Happily __ after
- 20 Unappreciative
- 22 Hug
- 24 Anger
- 25 Characteristic
- 26 Mexican Indian
- 29 Distress letters
- 30 War's opposite
- 34 Ace or king
- 35 Go bad
- 36 Save
- 37 Go quickly
- 38 Gave a new title to
- 40 Fool
- 41 Wiped away
- 43 Cured salmon
- 44 Expense
- 45 Camry or Jetta
- 46 Matterhorn, Mont Blanc
- 47 Not very bright
- 48 Aussie chum
- 50 Sheep's cry
- 51 Item on an office desk
- 54 Shake
- 58 Voter survey
- 59 Helped
- 61 Loafer or pump
- 62 Ending for cigar, kitchen
- 63 "The Pine Tree State"
- 64 __ Grey tea
- 65 Entryway
- 66 Iditarod racers
- 67 Baseball stats.

DOWN

- 1 Gully
- 2 Abbr. after many poems
- 3 Warm & comfy
- 4 Beseet by problems
- 5 Strike hard
- 6 Unattached
- 7 Perform

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- 8 Danson sitcom
- 9 Hindu concept
- 10 Turned aside
- 11 Volcanic output
- 12 Actor Guinness
- 13 Parched
- 21 Rainbow
- 23 2-footed animal
- 25 Completely
- 26 __ for; misses terribly
- 27 Republic of the Congo's former name
- 28 Tire ridge pattern
- 29 Harry, to Prince Charles
- 31 Fable creator
- 32 Discontinue
- 33 Opposite of full
- 35 __ as a lobster
- 36 Actor Harrison
- 38 Of the kidneys
- 39 Janitor's item
- 42 Whitman's chocolates box
- 44 Less refined
- 46 Antenna
- 47 Small amount
- 49 Reds & Browns
- 50 __ one's time; waits
- 51 Raced
- 52 Oz visitor
- 53 Choir member
- 54 Sell
- 55 Pequod captain
- 56 Actress Spelling
- 57 Long fishes
- 60 Pass away

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dave matthews

Jan. 9, 1967

Born in Johannesburg

1986

Moves to Charlottesville, Va., to live with his mother

1991

Forms Dave Matthews Band

2003

Releases first solo album, "Some Devil"



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KINGS OF CHILL

BY DANA MORAN | REDEYE

The scene: Friday and Saturday nights, Wrigley Field. The players: Jason Mraz and Dave Matthews. The vibe: totally laid-back. These chill rockers have major crossover potential, so RedEye took a look at how their stars aligned to create what might just be the perfect show for Wrigley.

Sept. 7, 2002

Mraz performs his second of three free concerts in a parking lot at a Dave Matthews concert at the Gorge Amphitheatre, mtv.com reports. Matthews watches the show and briefly bogarts Mraz's parking lot stage the next day.

December 2002

Mraz opens three DMB shows, including one at the United Center.

2004

Mraz opens two shows for DMB on its fall tour.

2009

Mraz opens three shows for DMB.

Sept. 24 & 25, 2010

Mraz and DMB take over Wrigley Field.

jason mraz

June 23, 1977

Born in Mechanicsville, Va., not far from where Matthews lived

Oct. 15, 2002

Releases first major label album, "Waiting for My Rocket to Come"

2008-09

Single "I'm Yours" spends 76 weeks on the Billboard Hot 100, the most for any song



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That's when Fox will unveil the new judging panel for the 10th season of "American Idol," host Ryan Seacrest confirmed, according to billboard.com.



Fooled ya?



Affleck

Casey Affleck, the director behind the strange documentary-style film "I'm Still Here," has some news. The movie, in which Joaquin Phoenix (above) appears addled and insane, was all a fake, he tells The New York Times. So was Phoenix's bizarre appearance on the "Late Show with David Letterman" during filming. "I never intended to trick anybody," Affleck said.

We may get more insight from the man himself—Phoenix is scheduled to return to Letterman's show Wednesday.



Sidibe cover debate

"Precious" star Gabourey Sidibe (above) appears on one of four special-edition covers of Elle magazine this month looking a little different. While the blogosphere is speculating that the mag lightened the actress' skin from her natural tone, Elle e-mailed a statement to Yahoo that read in part, "We have four separate covers this month and Gabby's cover was not retouched any more or less than the others." Megan Fox, Amanda Seyfried and Lauren Conrad are on the other covers. **GETTY IMAGES PHOTO**

J-Hud's mind matters

Jennifer Hudson is looking a little skinnier these days. As the Weight Watchers spokeswoman, J-Hud already had slimmed down, and now she tells people.com she has lost another 20 pounds and still is adjusting to her slimmer figure. "I go into the store and they try to put me in 4s and 6s and I'm like, 'Who are you trying to talk to?'" said Hudson, who once was a size 16. "My mind hasn't caught up yet."

Talk show swap

Best frenemies Bill O'Reilly and Jon Stewart will appear as guests on each other's shows in the next two weeks, the L.A. Times reports. Stewart will visit "The O'Reilly Factor" on Wednesday to promote "Earth (The Book)," and O'Reilly will return the favor Sept. 27. Get ready for the fur to fly.



O'Reilly



Stewart

Rose loves MJ

Looks like Derrick Rose wants to be like Mike. The Bulls star and native Chicagoan appears in a new commercial for the "NBA 2K11" video game that features Michael Jordan's greatest moments. "It's gotta be the shrug," Rose says, referring to an iconic MJ moment, as he is shown putting the frosting on a cake that reads "I [love] MJ." Next stop, Hanes commercials?

The new 'Lost'

J.J. Abrams is going back to the island. Well, back to an island, anyway. Fox has granted a pilot commitment to the "Lost" creator's new project, "Alcatraz," according to hollywoodreporter.com. Details are scarce, but the official logline says it will be "a show about mysteries, secrets and the most infamous prison of all time: Alcatraz."